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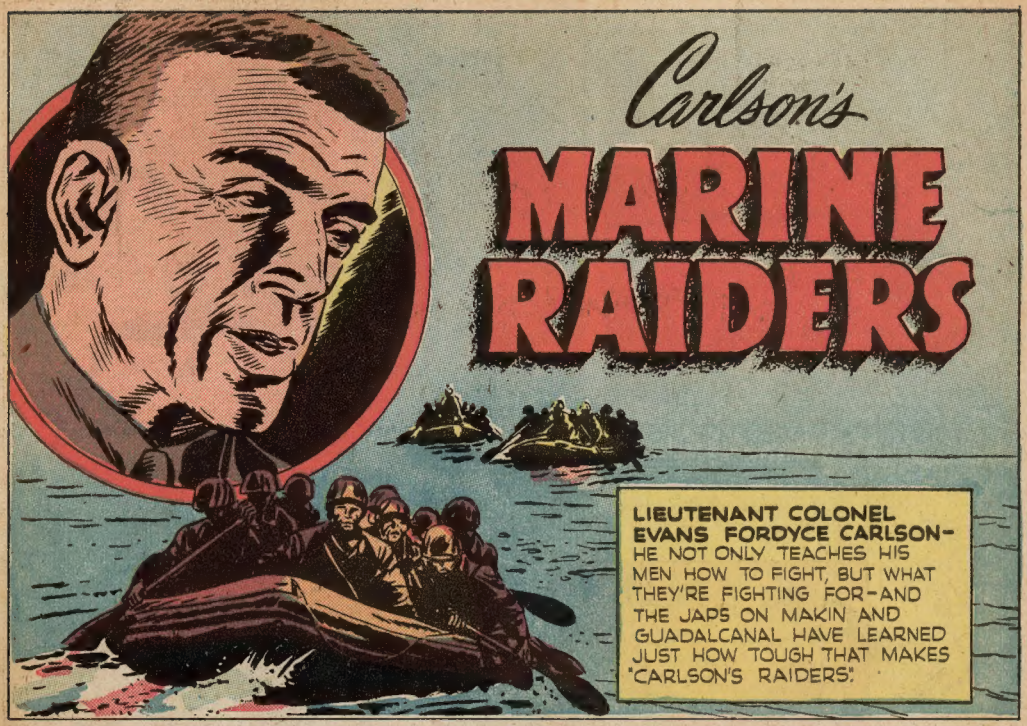
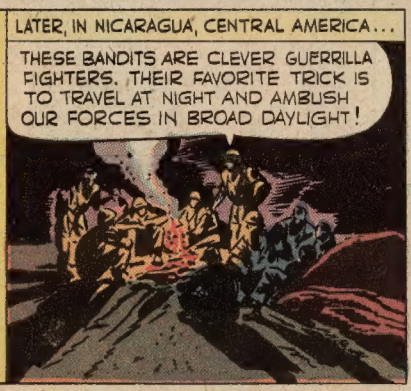


AFTER SERVING AS A CAPTAIN IN THE U.S. ARMY IN WORLD WAR 1, CARLSON ENLISTED AS A PRIVATE IN THE MARINE CORPS IN 1922.



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THEN, WITH FIFTEEN MARINES...

THEY'LL BE ALONG SOON, ABOUT A HUNDRED OF THEM—BUT WE'LL HAVE THE ADVANTAGE OF SURPRISE..

HERE THEY COME!

CARLSON'S SMALL FORCE ROUTED THE BANDITS, CHASED THEM CLEAR ACROSS THE BORDER INTO HONDURAS. FOR THIS, HE WON THE NAVY CROSS.

IN 1937, WHEN THE JAPS BEGAN THEIR VICIOUS WAR OF CONQUEST IN CHINA, CARLSON WAS ATTACHED TO THE CHINESE ARMY AS OBSERVER.

HE WATCHED THE WELL-EQUIPPED JAP FORCES OVERWHELM THE CHINESE AND DRIVE THEM OUT OF THEIR LARGE CITIES.

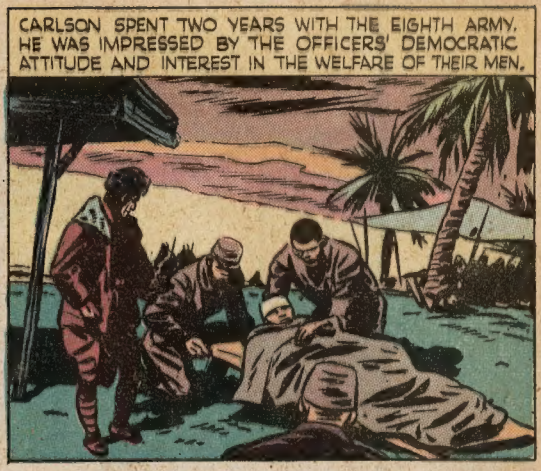
THERE'S ONE CHINESE ARMY THAT SEEMS TO BE DOING PRETTY WELL FOR ITSELF—THE EIGHTH ROUTE ARMY. I'D LIKE TO OBSERVE THEIR TACTICS.

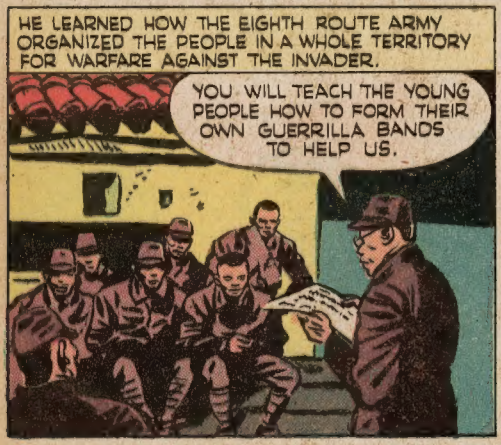
THAT WON'T BE EASY TO ARRANGE.

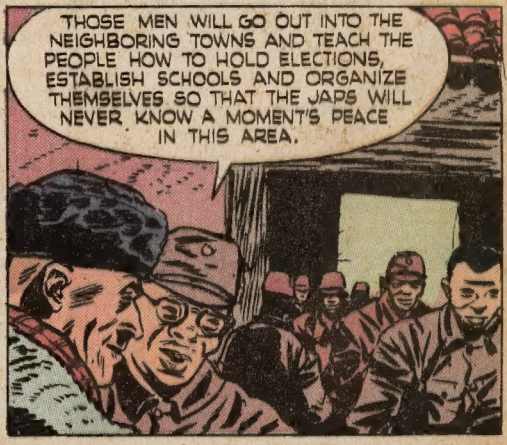
GENERAL CHU TEH, WHO COMMANDS THE EIGHTH ROUTE ARMY, IS VERY CAREFUL ABOUT CHECKING UP ON OBSERVERS. YOU WILL BE THOROUGHLY INVESTIGATED FIRST, AND THEN YOU WILL HAVE TO TRAVEL THOUSANDS OF MILES OVER ROUGH COUNTRY TO GET TO HIM.

CARLSON UNDERWENT THE INVESTIGATION, AND, AFTER WEEKS OF CROSSING DIFFICULT TERRAIN, HE WAS BROUGHT TO GENERAL CHU TEH'S HEADQUARTERS.

GENERAL, EVERYONE IS IMPRESSED WITH THE WAY YOU'RE MOPPING UP THE JAPS WITH FEWER MEN AND LITTLE EQUIPMENT. I'D LIKE TO LEARN HOW YOU DO IT.
YOU'RE WELCOME HERE. WE HAVE NO SECRETS FROM OUR FRIENDS!

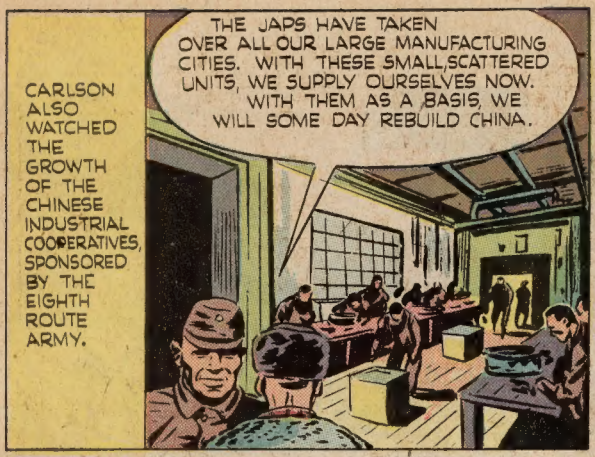

CARLSON SPENT TWO YEARS WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY. HE WAS IMPRESSED BY THE OFFICERS' DEMOCRATIC ATTITUDE AND INTEREST IN THE WELFARE OF THEIR MEN.

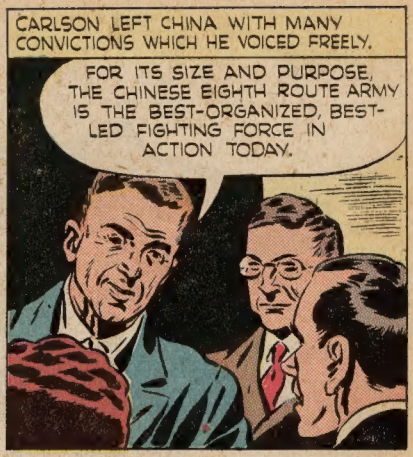

HE LEARNED HOW THE EIGHTH ROUTE ARMY ORGANIZED THE PEOPLE IN A WHOLE TERRITORY FOR WARFARE AGAINST THE INVADER.
YOU WILL TEACH THE YOUNG PEOPLE HOW TO FORM THEIR OWN GUERRILLA BANDS TO HELP US.


THOSE MEN WILL GO OUT INTO THE NEIGHBORING TOWNS AND TEACH THE PEOPLE HOW TO HOLD ELECTIONS, ESTABLISH SCHOOLS AND ORGANIZE THEMSELVES SO THAT THE JAPS WILL NEVER KNOW A MOMENT'S PEACE IN THIS AREA.

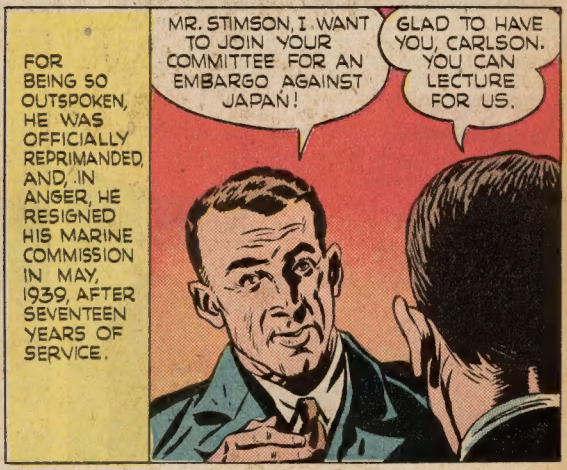
HE WATCHED THE SMALL, BUT TOUGH AND WELL-TRAINED RAIDING PARTIES SET OUT ON MISSIONS TO HARASS THE JAPS' LINES OF SUPPLY.

AND HE SAW THEM COME BACK AND HEARD THEM EXPLAIN HOW THEY AMBUSHED, KILLED AND SABOTAGED THE HATED HORDES OF NIPPON.


CARLSON ALSO WATCHED THE GROWTH OF THE CHINESE INDUSTRIAL COOPERATIVES, SPONSORED BY THE EIGHTH ROUTE ARMY.
THE JAPS HAVE TAKEN OVER ALL OUR LARGE MANUFACTURING CITIES. WITH THESE SMALL, SCATTERED UNITS, WE SUPPLY OURSELVES NOW. WITH THEM AS A BASIS, WE WILL SOME DAY REBUILD CHINA.


CARLSON LEFT CHINA WITH MANY CONVICTIONS WHICH HE VOICED FREELY.
FOR ITS SIZE AND PURPOSE, THE CHINESE EIGHTH ROUTE ARMY IS THE BEST-ORGANIZED, BEST-LED FIGHTING FORCE IN ACTION TODAY.

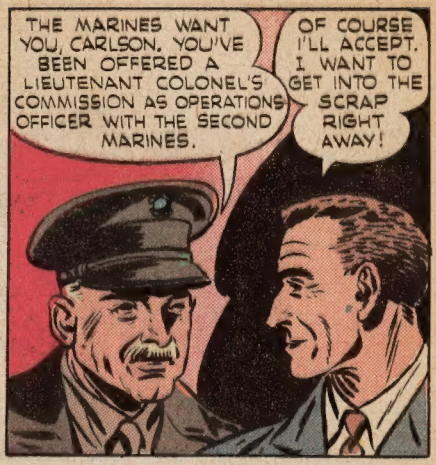
THE CHINESE ARE OUR FRIENDS. WE MUST STOP SELLING SCRAP METAL, OIL AND OTHER MATERIALS OF WAR TO THE JAPS.

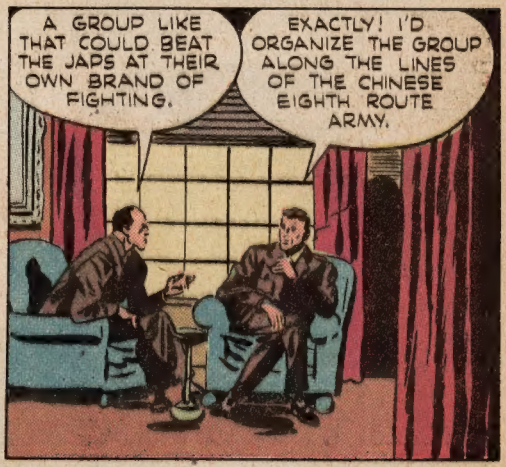

FOR BEING SO OUTSPOKEN, HE WAS OFFICIALLY REPRIMANDED, AND, IN ANGER, HE RESIGNED HIS MARINE COMMISSION IN MAY, 1939, AFTER SEVENTEEN YEARS OF SERVICE.
MR. STIMSON, I WANT TO JOIN YOUR COMMITTEE FOR AN EMBARGO AGAINST JAPAN!
GLAD TO HAVE YOU, CARLSON. YOU CAN LECTURE FOR US.

CARLSON SPOKE OFTEN FOR HENRY L. STIMSON'S COMMITTEE. (STIMSON LATER BECAME SECRETARY OF WAR.)
IN 1940-41, HE WENT BACK TO CHINA.
WHAT I'VE SEEN NOW CONVINCES ME THAT THE JAPS WILL ATTACK THE UNITED STATES SOON. I'M GOING BACK TO WASHINGTON AND REPORT MY FINDINGS!

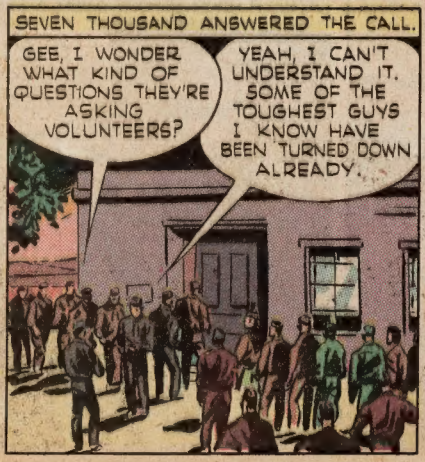
HE STOPPED AT MANILA TO WARN GENERAL MacARTHUR.
I SUGGEST, GENERAL, THAT YOU SET UP GUERRILLA BASES TO OPERATE FROM, WHEN THE JAPS ATTACK THE PHILIPPINES!

CARLSON GUESSED WRONG BY ONLY A FEW MONTHS... ON DECEMBER 7TH, THE JAPS STRUCK.





THEY WORKED OUT THEIR PLANS, HAD THEM APPROVED, AND CALLED FOR VOLUNTEERS FOR THE RAIDERS.



EVERY VOLUNTEER WAS TOLD THAT BEING A RAIDER WOULD MEAN DANGER AND SUFFERING, AND HE HAD TO PROVE THAT HE THOUGHT THE AMERICAN IDEAL FOR WHICH HE WAS FIGHTING WAS WORTH THAT SUFFERING. 1,000 WERE CHOSEN.

THEN THE TRAINING BEGAN.

WHEW! FORTY MILES A DAY WITH FULL PACKS!

WHEN WE GET THROUGH THIS, WE'LL BE TOUGH AS NAILS.

THEY BECAME EXPERTS WITH KNIFE AND BAYONET, LEARNED HOW TO CROSS ANY TERRAIN, FIGHT UNDER ANY CONDITIONS.

OFFICERS AND MEN WORE THE SAME CLOTHING, CARRIED THE SAME EQUIPMENT, LIVED AND TRAINED TOGETHER.

EACH MAN COOKED HIS OWN MEALS, ELIMINATING THE USE OF FIELD KITCHENS.

CARLSON TAUGHT THEM THE MOTTO OF THE CHINESE COOPERATIVES, "GUNG HO," WHICH MEANS "WORK TOGETHER," AND THE MEN ADOPTED IT AS THEIR OWN SLOGAN.

ONE NIGHT IN AUGUST, 1942, A GROUP OF RAIDERS LEFT PEARL HARBOR FOR A TRANSPORT SUB WHICH WAS TO TAKE THEM TO JAP-HELD MAKIN ISLAND, TO DESTROY ENEMY RADIO INSTALLATIONS.

A HALF HOUR BEFORE DAWN, A FEW NIGHTS LATER...

DOESN'T LOOK LIKE ANY OPPOSITION ON THE BEACH. WE'LL SURPRISE THEM COMPLETELY.

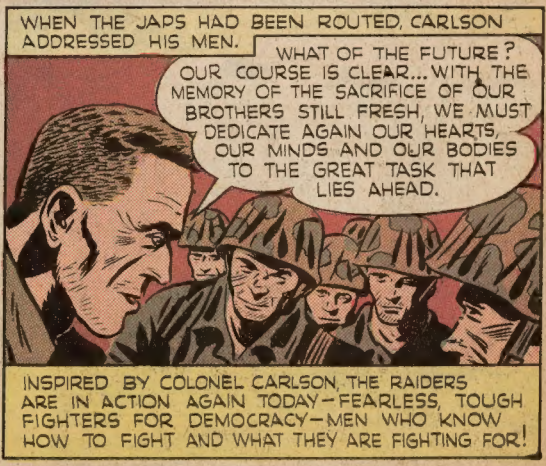
THE RAIDERS SMASHED THREE RADIO STATIONS, DESTROYED ALL INSTALLATIONS, KILLED OVER 350 JAPS!

I HAD HOPED TO TAKE SOME PRISONERS, BUT THE MEN JUST KILLED EVERY LAST JAP ON THE ISLAND!
I'D SAY IT WAS A HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL RAID, COLONEL!

ON NOVEMBER 4TH, THE RAIDERS SPEAR-HEADED AMERICA'S FIRST GREAT OFFENSIVE—ON GUADALCANAL.

FOR THIRTY STRAIGHT DAYS, LIVING ON RICE, RAISINS, BACON, CHOCOLATE AND TEA, THE RAIDERS SLASHED AT THE JAPS.

IN THAT TIME, THEY LOST SIXTEEN MEN-KILLED MORE THAN 800 JAPS!


WHEN THE JAPS HAD BEEN ROUTED, CARLSON ADDRESSED HIS MEN.
WHAT OF THE FUTURE? OUR COURSE IS CLEAR... WITH THE MEMORY OF THE SACRIFICE OF OUR BROTHERS STILL FRESH, WE MUST DEDICATE AGAIN OUR HEARTS, OUR MINDS AND OUR BODIES TO THE GREAT TASK THAT LIES AHEAD.
INSPIRED BY COLONEL CARLSON, THE RAIDERS ARE IN ACTION AGAIN TODAY—FEARLESS, TOUGH FIGHTERS FOR DEMOCRACY—MEN WHO KNOW HOW TO FIGHT AND WHAT THEY ARE FIGHTING FOR!

MARK TWAIN

THE MAN WHO MADE THE WORLD LAUGH

A LOOSE PAGE FROM A HISTORY BOOK, A COW AND A STEAMBOAT PILOT'S FIERY TEMPER, CHANGED THE LIFE OF **SAMUEL LANGHORNE CLEMENS** AND EARNED HIM WORLD-WIDE FAME AS THE AUTHOR OF "TOM SAWYER" AND MANY OTHER CLASSICS UNDER THE NAME OF **MARK TWAIN.**

ON NOVEMBER 30, 1835, JUST AS "HALLEY'S COMET" STREAKED ACROSS THE SKY AS IF ANNOUNCING HIS ARRIVAL TO THE WORLD, SAMUEL LANGHORNE CLEMENS WAS BORN IN FLORIDA, MISSOURI.

HANNIBAL, MISSOURI, IN 1845...

WELL, AS I WAS SAYING, OLD LIZA WAS A THOUSAND YEARS OLD!

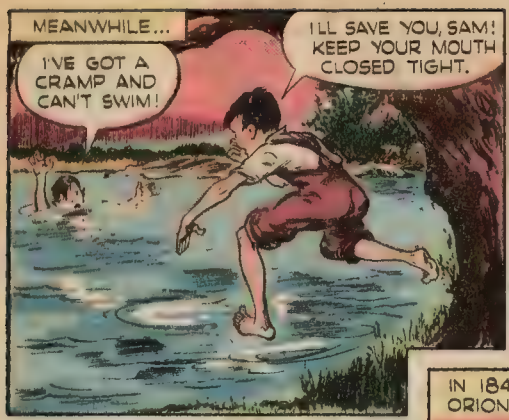
SAM CLEMENS, I THINK YOU JUST MAKE UP ALL THOSE STORIES!

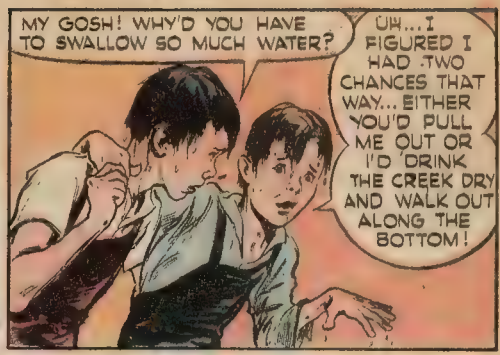
HE DOES NOT! GO ON HOME! WE DON'T WANT GIRLS ALONG.

MRS. CLEMENS, SAMMY IS TELLING STORIES AGAIN. DO YOU BELIEVE EVERYTHING HE SAYS?

WELL, EXCEPT FOR THE FIRST NINETY PER CENT, THE REST IS PURE GOLD.

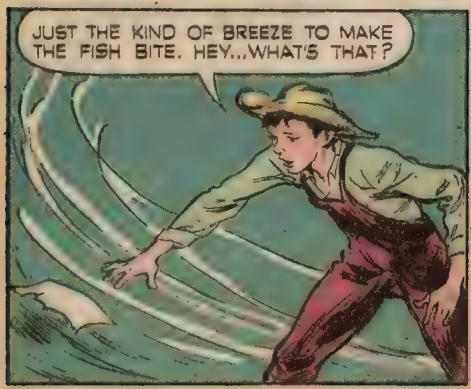
MRS. CLEMENS! COME QUICK! SAM IS DROWNING IN BEAR CREEK!

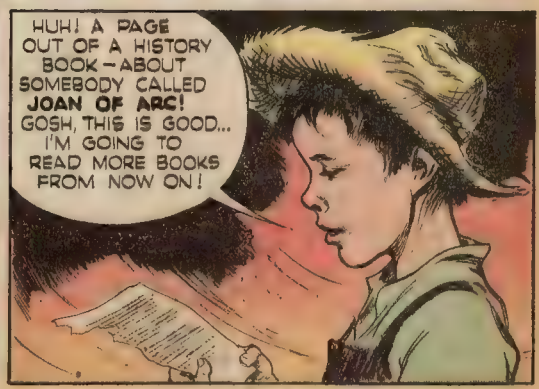

MEANWHILE...
I'VE GOT A CRAMP AND CAN'T SWIM!
I'LL SAVE YOU, SAM! KEEP YOUR MOUTH CLOSED TIGHT.

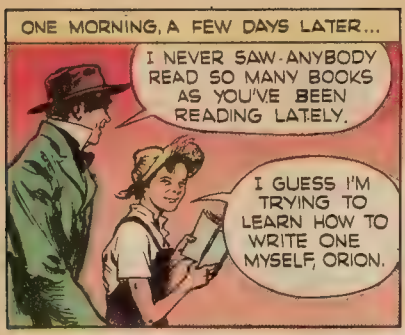

MY GOSH! WHY'D YOU HAVE TO SWALLOW SO MUCH WATER?
UH... I FIGURED I HAD TWO CHANCES THAT WAY... EITHER YOU'D PULL ME OUT OR I'D DRINK THE CREEK DRY AND WALK OUT ALONG THE BOTTOM!

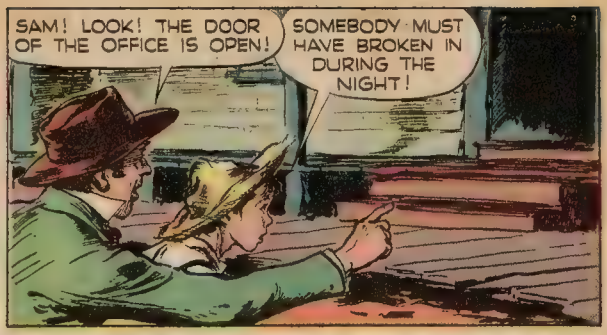
SAM! SAM! ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
THERE WASN'T ANY DANGER, MOM!
NO, I GUESS NOT... PEOPLE BORN TO BE HANGED WILL NEVER DROWN!

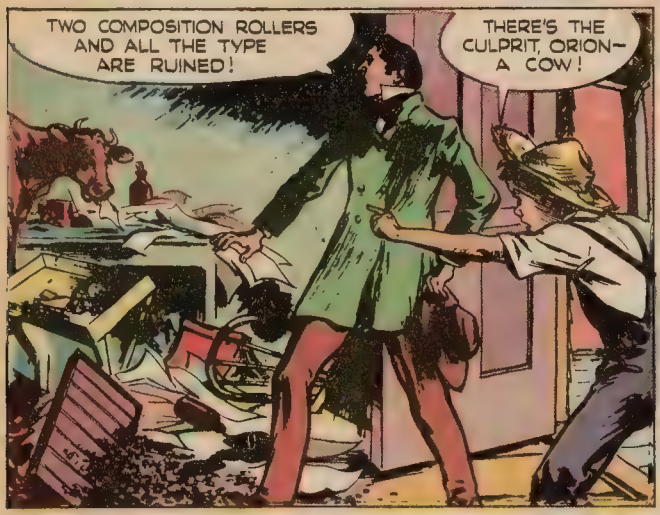
IN 1847, TO KEEP SAM OUT OF MISCHIEF, HIS BROTHER, ORION, GAVE HIM A JOB.
THE JOURNAL
HEY, SAM! COME ON FISHING WITH US!
I CANT, WILL. I HAVE TO HELP MY BROTHER GET OUT THE "JOURNAL."
HA, HA. IMAGINE SAM CLEMENS A NEWSPAPER MAN!


JUST THE KIND OF BREEZE TO MAKE THE FISH BITE. HEY... WHAT'S THAT?


HUH! A PAGE OUT OF A HISTORY BOOK – ABOUT SOMEBODY CALLED **JOAN OF ARC!** GOSH, THIS IS GOOD... I'M GOING TO READ MORE BOOKS FROM NOW ON!

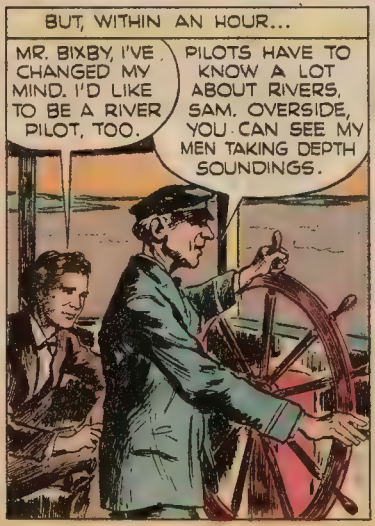

ONE MORNING, A FEW DAYS LATER...
I NEVER SAW ANYBODY READ SO MANY BOOKS AS YOU'VE BEEN READING LATELY.
I GUESS I'M TRYING TO LEARN HOW TO WRITE ONE MYSELF, ORION.

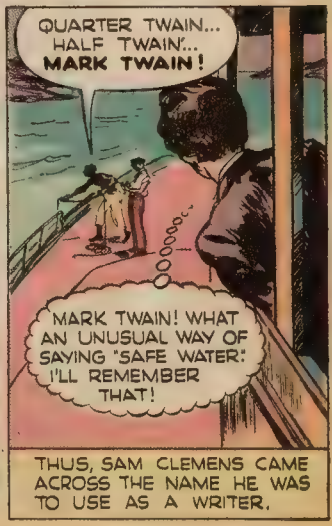

SAM! LOOK! THE DOOR OF THE OFFICE IS OPEN!
SOMEBODY MUST HAVE BROKEN IN DURING THE NIGHT!

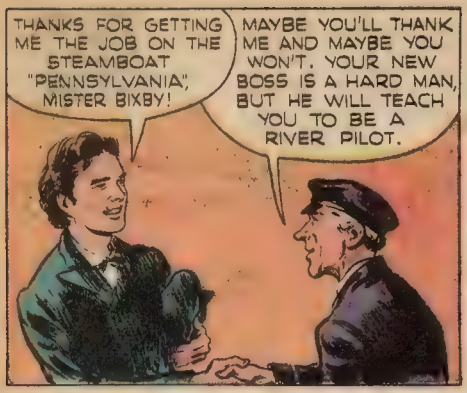

TWO COMPOSITION ROLLERS AND ALL THE TYPE ARE RUINED!
THERE'S THE CULPRIT, ORION— A COW!

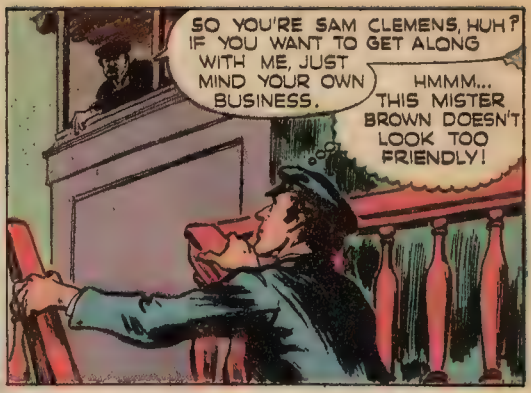
DON'T BOTHER TO PICK UP THE TYPE FACE, SAM...IT'S NO USE! THIS IS THE END OF THE "JOURNAL."

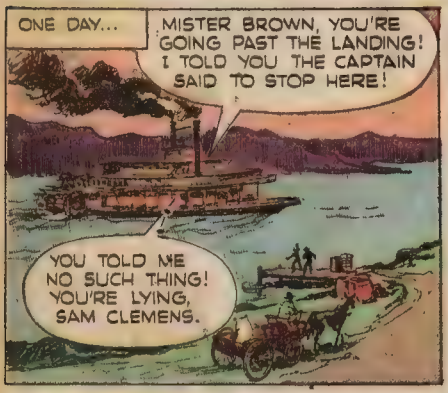
CINCINNATI, OHIO, ABOUT SIX YEARS LATER...
I'M SAMUEL CLEMENS FROM HANNIBAL, MISSOURI, SIR. I'M TIRED OF ROAMING THE COUNTRY AS A PRINTER. I'D LIKE TO GO TO SOUTH AMERICA.

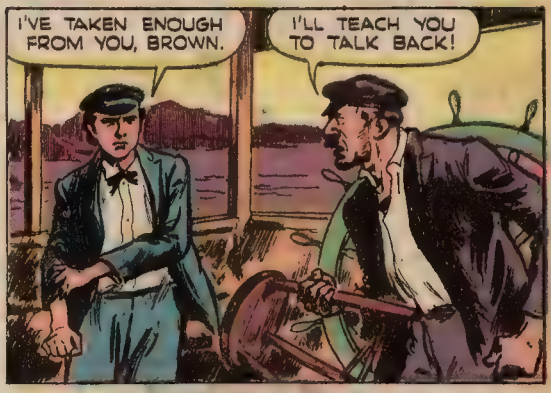

BUT, WITHIN AN HOUR...
MR. BIXBY, I'VE CHANGED MY MIND. I'D LIKE TO BE A RIVER PILOT, TOO.
PILOTS HAVE TO KNOW A LOT ABOUT RIVERS, SAM. OVERSIDE, YOU CAN SEE MY MEN TAKING DEPTH SOUNDINGS.


QUARTER TWAIN... HALF TWAIN... MARK TWAIN!
MARK TWAIN! WHAT AN UNUSUAL WAY OF SAYING "SAFE WATER." I'LL REMEMBER THAT!
THUS, SAM CLEMENS CAME ACROSS THE NAME HE WAS TO USE AS A WRITER.


THANKS FOR GETTING ME THE JOB ON THE STEAMBOAT "PENNSYLVANIA", MISTER BIXBY!
MAYBE YOU'LL THANK ME AND MAYBE YOU WON'T. YOUR NEW BOSS IS A HARD MAN, BUT HE WILL TEACH YOU TO BE A RIVER PILOT.


SO YOU'RE SAM CLEMENS, HUH? IF YOU WANT TO GET ALONG WITH ME, JUST MIND YOUR OWN BUSINESS.
HMMM... THIS MISTER BROWN DOESN'T LOOK TOO FRIENDLY!


ONE DAY...
MISTER BROWN, YOU'RE GOING PAST THE LANDING! I TOLD YOU THE CAPTAIN SAID TO STOP HERE!
YOU TOLD ME NO SUCH THING! YOU'RE LYING, SAM CLEMENS.


I'VE TAKEN ENOUGH FROM YOU, BROWN.
I'LL TEACH YOU TO TALK BACK!

I'LL BE PUT IN CHAINS FOR THIS, BUT IT'S WORTH IT!

YES, CAPTAIN, I ADMIT THAT I STRUCK BROWN.
CONGRATULATIONS, CLEMENS! HE HAD IT COMING TO HIM. YOU HAVE THE MAKINGS OF A GREAT PILOT!

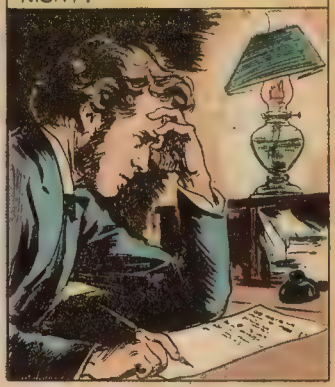
FOR FOUR YEARS, SAM CLEMENS WAS ONE OF THE BEST PILOTS ON THE MISSISSIPPI. THEN HE WENT TO NEVADA.

COME ON, GREENIE! WIN THIS RACE!

I'M BETTING ON YOU, LITTLE DANIEL!

THESE JUMPING FROG CONTESTS WILL MAKE AN INTERESTING STORY!

IN 1865, THE NEW YORK "SATURDAY PRESS" PUBLISHED "JIM SMILEY AND THE JUMPING FROG"—AND THE NAME "MARK TWAIN" BECAME FAMOUS ALMOST OVERNIGHT!



SAM CLEMENS BEGAN TRAVELING ABROAD, FIRST TO THE SANDWICH ISLANDS, THEN TO JERUSALEM AND EUROPE.

ISN'T THAT MARK TWAIN, THE FAMOUS WRITER AND LECTURER?

YES. HIS NEW BOOK, "INNOCENTS ABROAD" IS TAKING THE UNITED STATES BY STORM!

AFTER HIS TRAVELS ABROAD, CLEMENS COLLABORATED WITH PRESIDENT GRANT ON THE FAMOUS MAN'S BIOGRAPHY.

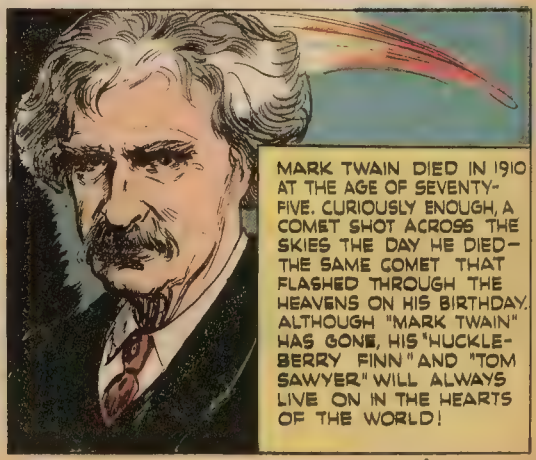
NOW, MR. PRESIDENT, LET'S DO A CHAPTER ON YOUR SIEGE OF RICHMOND AND LEE'S DEFENSE OF THE CITY.

WHATEVER YOU SAY, CREDIT GENERAL LEE WITH AN INCREDIBLY HARD JOB, WELL DONE.

AFTER WRITING MANY MORE "BEST-SELLERS", MARK WAS IN EUROPE WHEN HE READ IN A PAPER THAT SAMUEL CLEMENS HAD BEEN KILLED.

SO I'M DEAD, AM I? THEN I SHALL CABLE THE NEWSPAPER: "GENTLEMEN, THE REPORTS OF MY DEATH ARE GREATLY EXAGGERATED!"

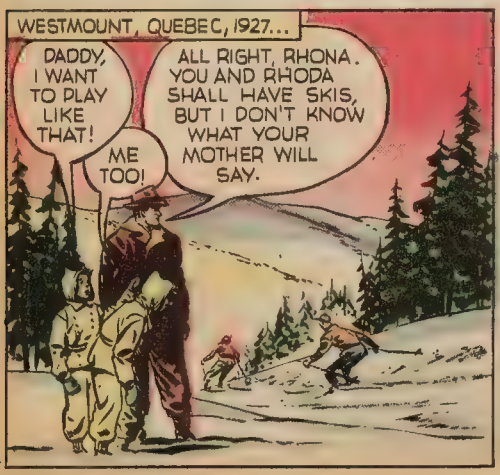
CABLEGRAM

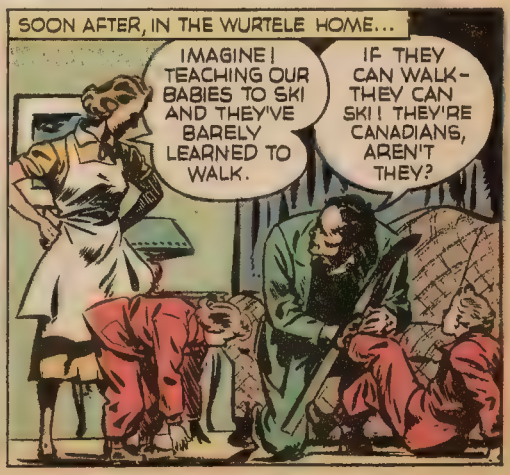


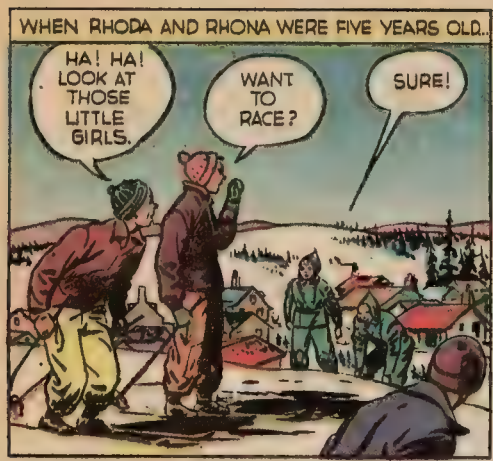
MARK TWAIN DIED IN 1910 AT THE AGE OF SEVENTY-FIVE. CURIOUSLY ENOUGH, A COMET SHOT ACROSS THE SKIES THE DAY HE DIED—THE SAME COMET THAT FLASHED THROUGH THE HEAVENS ON HIS BIRTHDAY. ALTHOUGH "MARK TWAIN" HAS GONE, HIS "HUCKLEBERRY FINN" AND "TOM SAWYER" WILL ALWAYS LIVE ON IN THE HEARTS OF THE WORLD!

CANADA'S TERRIFIC TWINS

AT THE AGE OF TWENTY-ONE, THE WURTELE TWINS OF CANADA ARE TWO OF THE WORLD'S BEST WOMEN SKIERS AND PROBABLY THE BEST ALL-AROUND ATHLETES CANADA HAS EVER PRODUCED.






WHEN RHODA AND RHONA WERE FIVE YEARS OLD..
HA! HA! LOOK AT THOSE LITTLE GIRLS.
WANT TO RACE?
SURE!

LOOK OUT! HERE WE COME!
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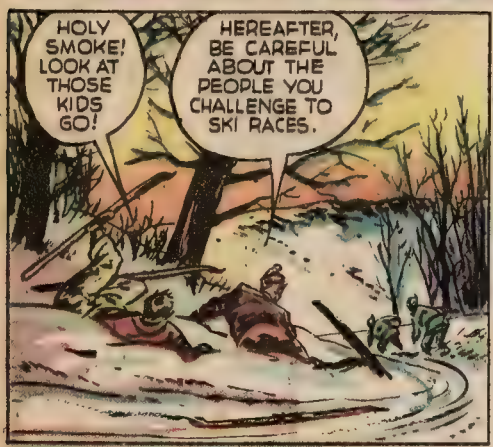
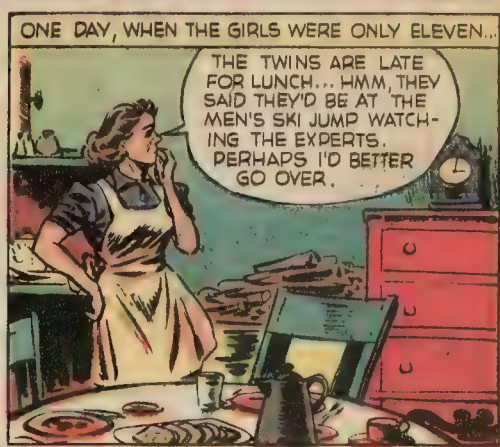

HOLY SMOKE! LOOK AT THOSE KIDS GO!
HEREAFTER, BE CAREFUL ABOUT THE PEOPLE YOU CHALLENGE TO SKI RACES.


ONE DAY, WHEN THE GIRLS WERE ONLY ELEVEN...
THE TWINS ARE LATE FOR LUNCH... HMM, THEY SAID THEY'D BE AT THE MEN'S SKI JUMP WATCHING THE EXPERTS. PERHAPS I'D BETTER GO OVER.

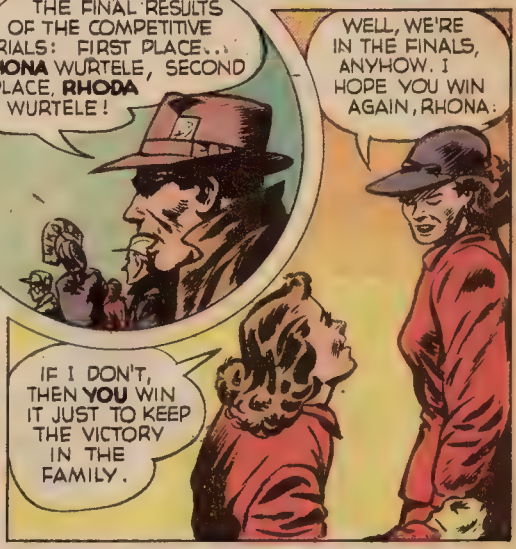
BUT, WHEN MRS. WURTELE ARRIVED...
OH! MY BABIES! THEY'LL BE KILLED!
LOOK! THEY'RE MAKING THEIR FIFTH JUMP!
THEY CERTAINLY LOOK LIKE CHAMPIONS.

RHONA! RHODA! COME OVER HERE THIS INSTANT!

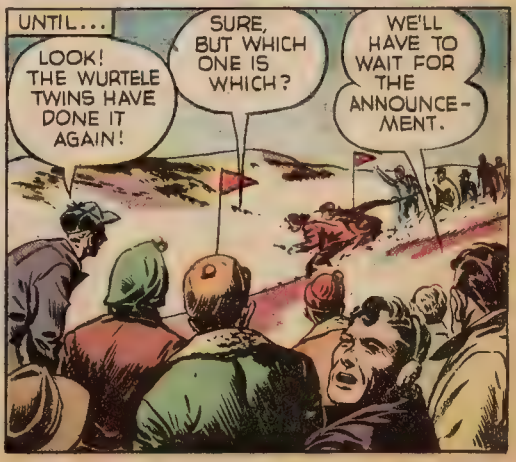
GOSH, MOTHER! WE WON'T GET HURT!
IT'S TOO DANGEROUS ON AN EMPTY STOMACH! YOU COME RIGHT HOME AND EAT YOUR LUNCH BEFORE DOING ANY MORE JUMPING.

IN 1942, AT THE INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S MEET BETWEEN THE U.S. AND CANADA...
THIS IS OUR FIRST BIG MEET, RHODA. I HOPE YOU HAVE LOTS OF LUCK.
IT'S GOING TO SEEM STRANGE TO BE COMPETING AGAINST YOU INSTEAD OF WITH YOU, RHONA.

IN THE TRIALS, THE GIRLS PASSED THE OTHERS AS THEY ZOOMED TOWARD THE FINISH LINE.

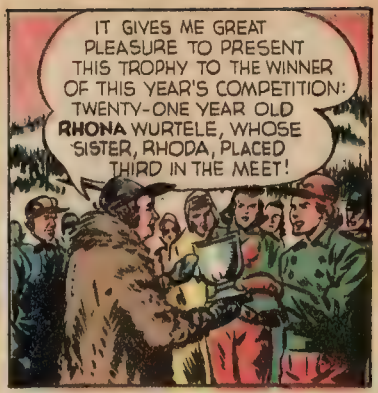

HERE ARE THE FINAL RESULTS OF THE COMPETITIVE TRIALS: FIRST PLACE... RHONA WURTELE, SECOND PLACE, RHODA WURTELE!
WELL, WE'RE IN THE FINALS, ANYHOW. I HOPE YOU WIN AGAIN, RHONA.
IF I DON'T, THEN YOU WIN IT JUST TO KEEP THE VICTORY IN THE FAMILY.

THE FINALS WERE A BATTLE ALL THE WAY...

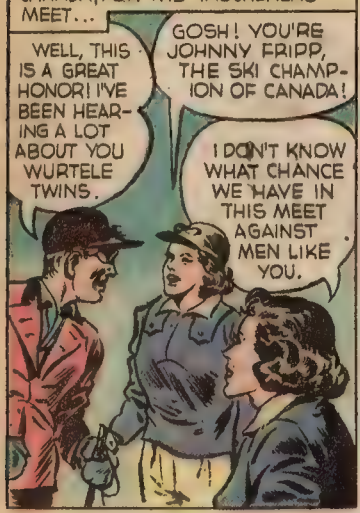

UNTIL...
LOOK! THE WURTELE TWINS HAVE DONE IT AGAIN!
SURE, BUT WHICH ONE IS WHICH?
WE'LL HAVE TO WAIT FOR THE ANNOUNCE-MENT.

THUS, IN THE FINALS, THE GIRLS REVERSED POSITIONS AND SHARED THE HONORS OF VICTORY.

IN FEBRUARY, 1943 – AT LAKE PLACID, NEW YORK – THE TWINS COMPETED FOR THE KATE SMITH INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S TROPHY AND...



NEXT DAY, AT MONT TREMBLANT, CANADA, FOR THE TASCHEREAU MEET...



THE RACE BEGAN, AND, AS THE FIELD OF NINETY-THREE NEARED THE FINISH, JOHNNY FRIPP AND RHODA WURTELE RACED NECK AND NECK.

SUDDENLY, WITH A TREMENDOUS BURST OF SPEED, RHODA FLASHED ACROSS THE FINISH LINE FIRST!

BUT, IN ADDITION TO SKIING, CANADA'S WONDER TWINS ARE EXPERT TENNIS PLAYERS, SWIMMERS AND HORSEBACK RIDERS! CANADA'S OLYMPIC COACH, JIMMY ROSE, SAID "THEY'RE THE BEST GIRL ATHLETES CANADA EVER HAD!"

PAPER FIGHTS TOO!

TODAY AMERICA'S PAPER SHORTAGE IS A SERIOUS THREAT TO THE WAR EFFORT. HERE'S WHY:

WASTE PAPER MUST BE SALVAGED TO MEET THESE INCREASED DEMANDS. YOU CAN DO YOUR PART. HERE'S HOW:

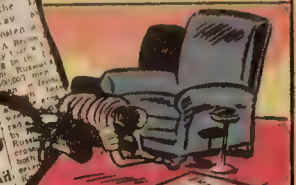
PAPER PRODUCTS ARE ESSENTIAL TO A SOLDIER. MANY OF HIS SUPPLIES ARE PACKED IN PAPER BOXES.

HIS CAMPAIGNS ARE PLANNED ON PAPER.

HIS RATIONS ARE STORED IN PAPER.

HIS SHELTER IS BUILT WITH PAPER.

BY COLLECTING OLD MAGAZINES.



BY GATHERING NEWSPAPERS.

BY SAVING WASTE-BASKET PAPER.

BY CALLING YOUR JUNK DEALER OR PAPER SALVAGE DEPOT.

SEARCH YOUR HOUSE FOR EVERY SCRAP OF WASTE PAPER THAT CAN BE ADDED TO THE NATION'S GROWING SCRAP PILE. THAT WAY YOU CAN TAKE AN ACTIVE PART IN HELPING TO WIN THE WAR QUICKLY.

SPECIAL AGENT
of the Federal Bureau of Investigation

STEVE SAUNDERS AND OTHER SPECIAL AGENTS UNDER DIRECTOR JOHN EDGAR HOOVER TRACK DOWN AN ELUSIVE SPY TRAINED IN GERMANY'S SPECIAL "SCHOOL FOR ESPIONAGE."

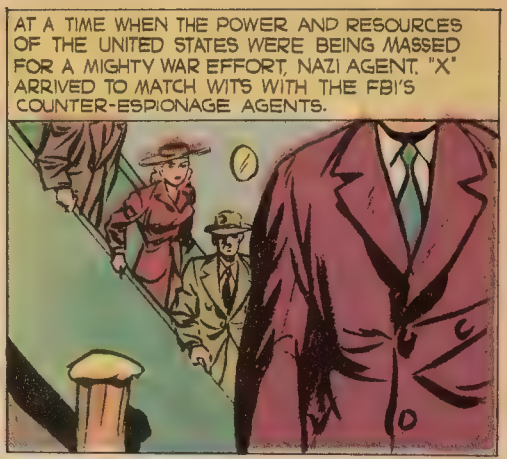
BERLIN, GERMANY, EARLY 1941...

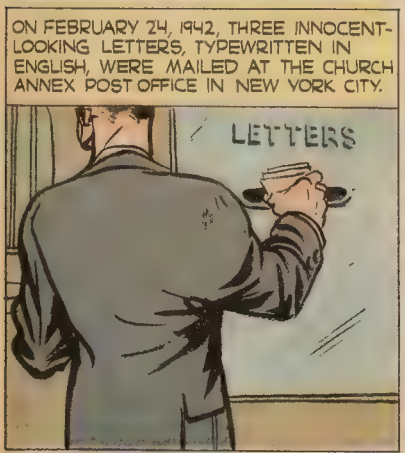
I DON'T THINK "X" WILL EVER LEARN HOW TO OPERATE A SHORT-WAVE RADIO.

THAT IS TRUE, BUT I THINK HE CAN STILL BE USEFUL TO US! HERE HE COMES!

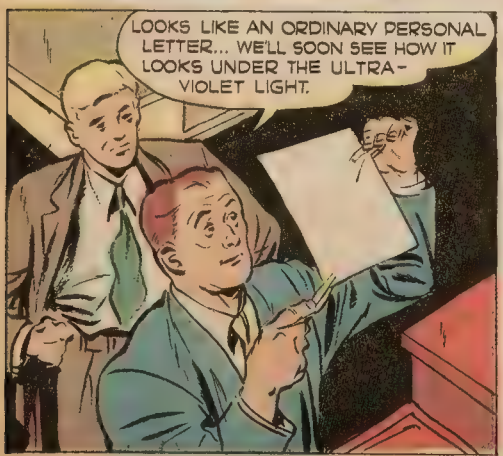
"X", YOUR TRAINING PERIOD IS OVER. WE HAVE TAUGHT YOU ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW TO-OUTSMART THE AMERICANS. AS A CITIZEN OF THE U.S., YOU WILL BE ABLE TO RETURN THERE TO CARRY ON YOUR WORK.

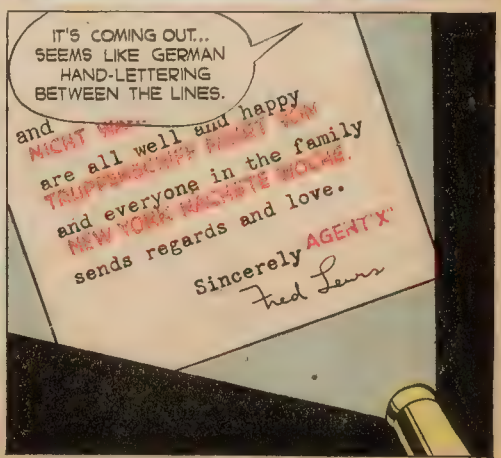
THIS SERIES IS PRESENTED WITH THE COOPERATION OF THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION. THE SITUATIONS PRESENTED IN THIS SERIES ARE TRUE, AND THE CHARACTERS ARE AUTHENTIC WITH THE EXCEPTION OF "STEVE SAUNDERS," WHO HAS BEEN CREATED AS A TYPICAL EXAMPLE OF THE CALIBER OF MEN WHO MAKE UP THE INTELLIGENT AND COURAGEOUS PERSONNEL OF THE F.B.I.

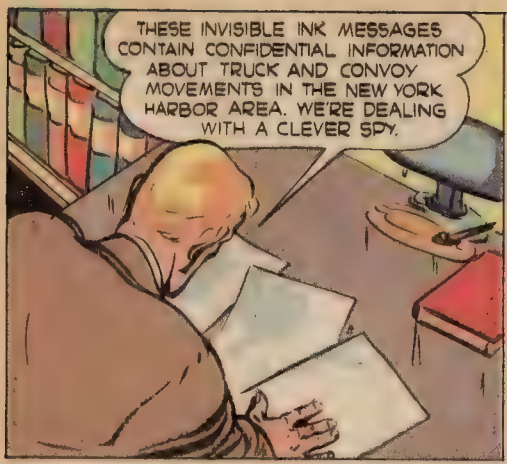


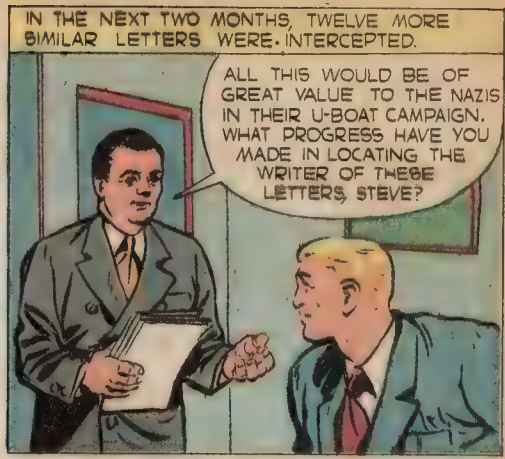


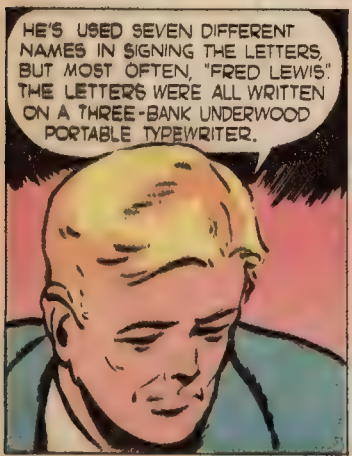
THE LETTERS QUICKLY FOUND THEIR WAY TO THE DESK OF FBI DIRECTOR JOHN EDGAR HOOVER.



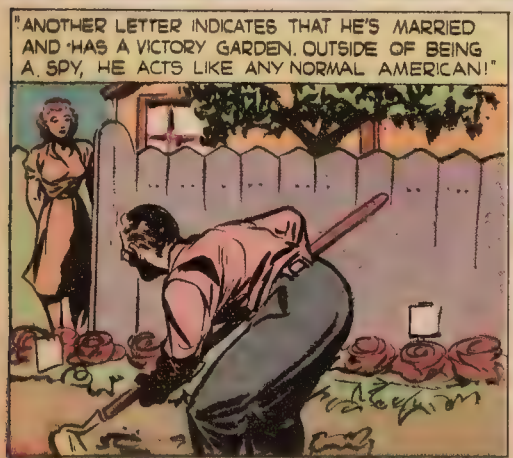


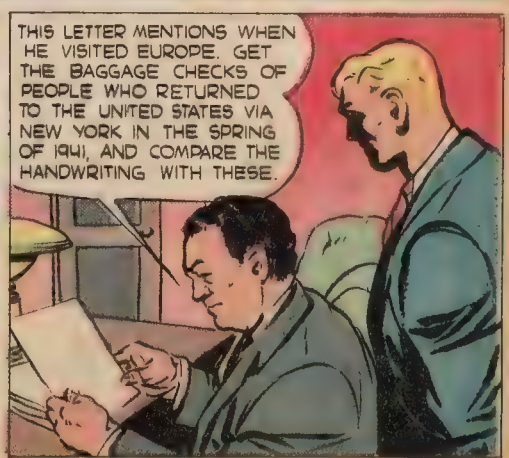

THESE INVISIBLE INK MESSAGES CONTAIN CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION ABOUT TRUCK AND CONVOY MOVEMENTS IN THE NEW YORK HARBOR AREA. WE'RE DEALING WITH A CLEVER SPY.

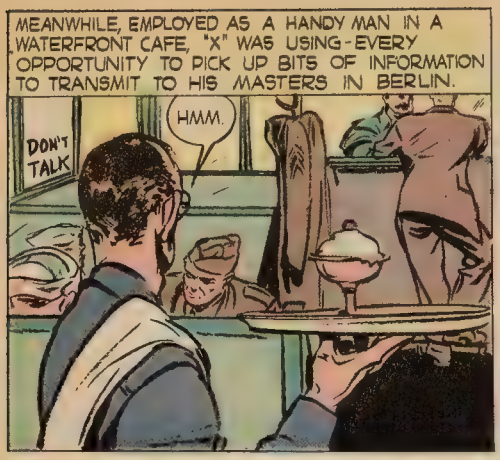

IN THE NEXT TWO MONTHS, TWELVE MORE SIMILAR LETTERS WERE INTERCEPTED.
ALL THIS WOULD BE OF GREAT VALUE TO THE NAZIS IN THEIR U-BOAT CAMPAIGN. WHAT PROGRESS HAVE YOU MADE IN LOCATING THE WRITER OF THESE LETTERS, STEVE?

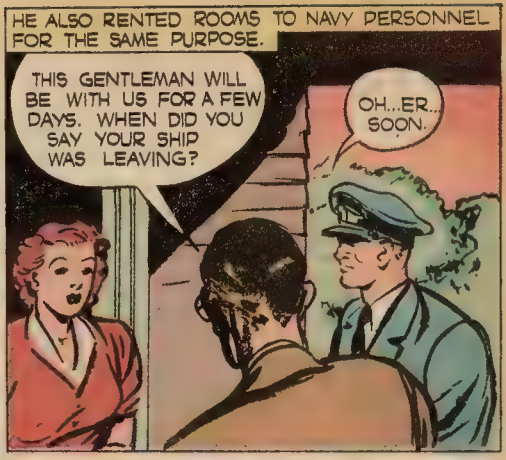

HE'S USED SEVEN DIFFERENT NAMES IN SIGNING THE LETTERS, BUT MOST OFTEN, "FRED LEWIS." THE LETTERS WERE ALL WRITTEN ON A THREE-BANK UNDERWOOD PORTABLE TYPEWRITER.

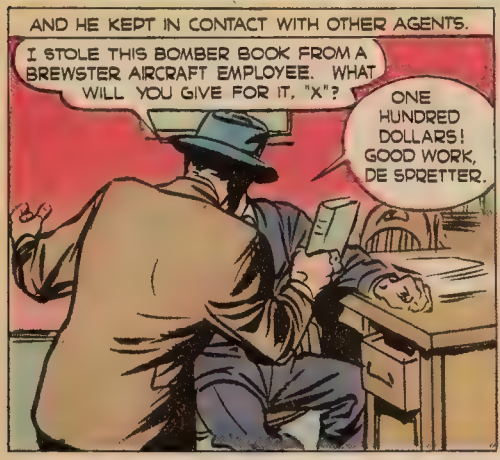
"IN ONE LETTER, HE MENTIONS THE FACT THAT HE'S AN AIR RAID WARDEN, THAT HE OWNS A HOME HE EXPECTS TO LOSE AND THAT HE HAS A DOG WHO'S BEEN SICK WITH DISTEMPER.
FOR SALE


"ANOTHER LETTER INDICATES THAT HE'S MARRIED AND HAS A VICTORY GARDEN. OUTSIDE OF BEING A SPY, HE ACTS LIKE ANY NORMAL AMERICAN!"

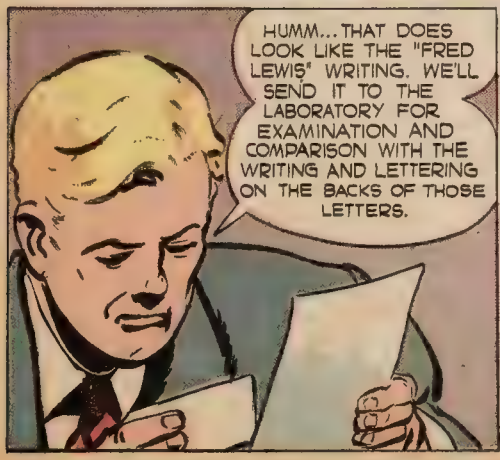

THIS LETTER MENTIONS WHEN HE VISITED EUROPE. GET THE BAGGAGE CHECKS OF PEOPLE WHO RETURNED TO THE UNITED STATES VIA NEW YORK IN THE SPRING OF 1941, AND COMPARE THE HANDWRITING WITH THESE.

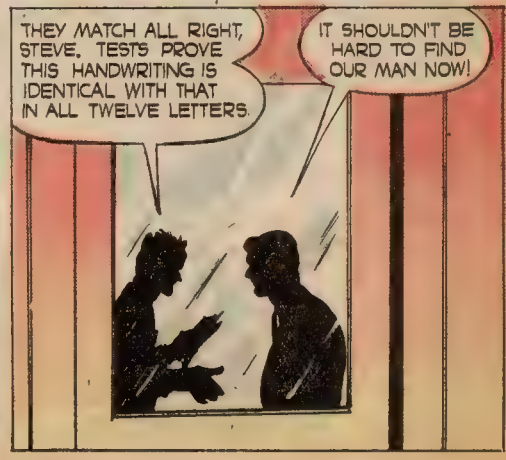

MEANWHILE, EMPLOYED AS A HANDY MAN IN A WATERFRONT CAFE, "X" WAS USING-EVERY OPPORTUNITY TO PICK UP BITS OF INFORMATION TO TRANSMIT TO HIS MASTERS IN BERLIN.
DON'T TALK
HMM.


HE ALSO RENTED ROOMS TO NAVY PERSONNEL FOR THE SAME PURPOSE.
THIS GENTLEMAN WILL BE WITH US FOR A FEW DAYS. WHEN DID YOU SAY YOUR SHIP WAS LEAVING?
OH...ER... SOON.

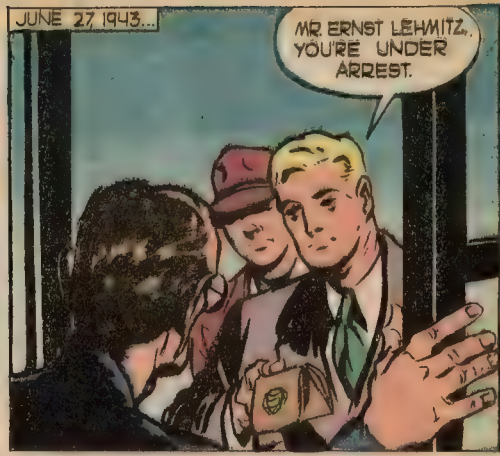

AND HE KEPT IN CONTACT WITH OTHER AGENTS.
I STOLE THIS BOMBER BOOK FROM A BREWSTER AIRCRAFT EMPLOYEE. WHAT WILL YOU GIVE FOR IT, "X"?
ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS! GOOD WORK, DE SPRETTER.

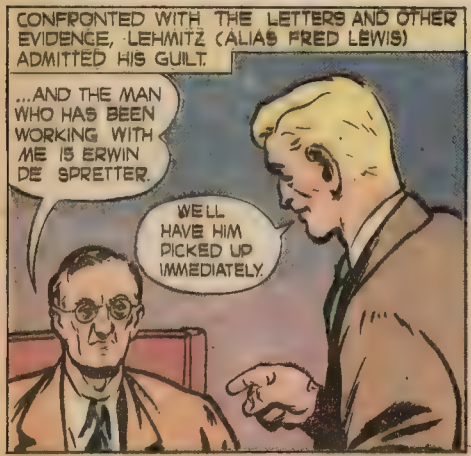
MEANWHILE...
I'VE LOOKED AT SO MANY BAGGAGE CHECKS, I'LL SOON SEE THEM IN MY SLEEP
STEVE! I THINK I'VE FOUND SOMETHING!

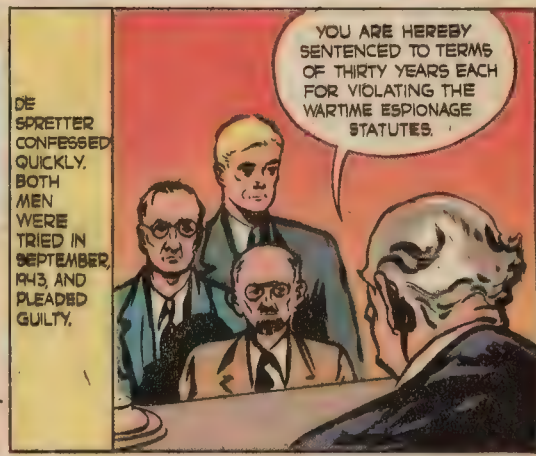

HUMM...THAT DOES LOOK LIKE THE "FRED LEWIS" WRITING. WE'LL SEND IT TO THE LABORATORY FOR EXAMINATION AND COMPARISON WITH THE WRITING AND LETTERING ON THE BACKS OF THOSE LETTERS.

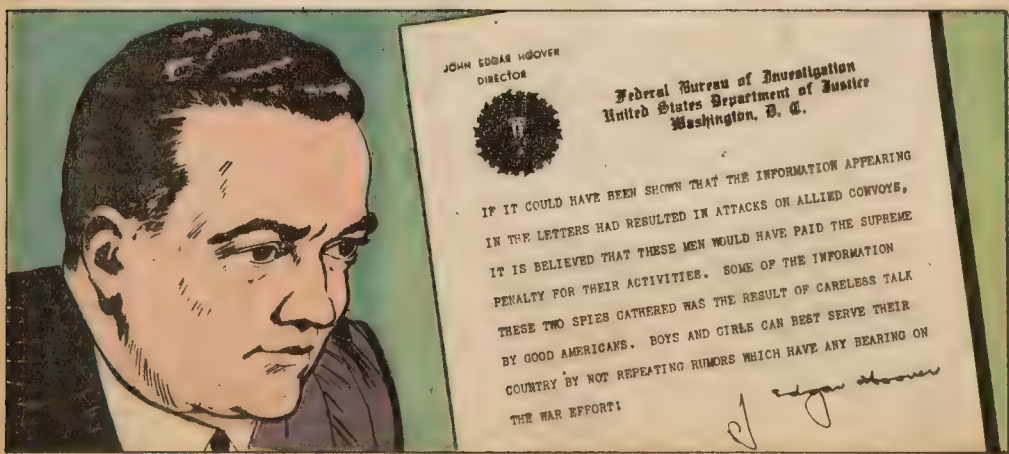

THEY MATCH ALL RIGHT, STEVE. TESTS PROVE THIS HANDWRITING IS IDENTICAL WITH THAT IN ALL TWELVE LETTERS.
IT SHOULDN'T BE HARD TO FIND OUR MAN NOW!

THAT'S HIS HOUSE. THE BANK JUST FORECLOSED ON IT. IT CHECKS, PAL.
LOOKS LIKE WE'VE GOT HIM, ALL RIGHT. HE'S AN AIR RAID WARDEN AND HIS DOG DIED RECENTLY OF DISTEMPER.
FO
SAL


JUNE 27 1943...
MR. ERNST LEHMITZ, YOU'RE UNDER ARREST.


CONFRONTED WITH THE LETTERS AND OTHER EVIDENCE, LEHMITZ (ALIAS FRED LEWIS) ADMITTED HIS GUILT.
...AND THE MAN WHO HAS BEEN WORKING WITH ME IS ERWIN DE SPRETTER.
WE'LL HAVE HIM PICKED UP IMMEDIATELY.


DE SPRETTER CONFESSED QUICKLY. BOTH MEN WERE TRIED IN SEPTEMBER, 1943, AND PLEADED GUILTY.
YOU ARE HEREBY SENTENCED TO TERMS OF THIRTY YEARS EACH FOR VIOLATING THE WARTIME ESPIONAGE STATUTES.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IF IT COULD HAVE BEEN SHOWN THAT THE INFORMATION APPEARING IN THE LETTERS HAD RESULTED IN ATTACKS ON ALLIED CONVOYS, IT IS BELIEVED THAT THESE MEN WOULD HAVE PAID THE SUPREME PENALTY FOR THEIR ACTIVITIES. SOME OF THE INFORMATION THESE TWO SPIES GATHERED WAS THE RESULT OF CARELESS TALK BY GOOD AMERICANS. BOYS AND GIRLS CAN BEST SERVE THEIR COUNTRY BY NOT REPEATING RUMORS WHICH HAVE ANY BEARING ON THE WAR EFFORT!
J. Edgar Hoover

TRUE'S MOVIE GUIDE

Brief Reviews of Films You Will Want to See

THE ADVENTURES OF MARK TWAIN—All of Mark Twain's jokes were "truly comic" but the best ones were those he told about himself. Our favorite: when the neighborhood kids followed him every time he left the house because they were under the impression he was Buffalo Bill. Not that Twain was merely the Bob Hope of another day: he was also our most important author, influencing other writers to look for material in our American way of life and inspiring them to interpret our democracy in order that everyone would find it good. In this and in his own work, Twain was most successful. Now, in all parts of the world, people are reading what he had to say, remembering his belief in the common man and trusting that with the dawn of peace, boys and girls everywhere will once more be able to enjoy a childhood as idyllic as Huckleberry Finn's. In addition to Twain (played with genuine warmth by Fredric March) this film is notable because it makes vivid an exciting period in the history of American literature. (Warners)

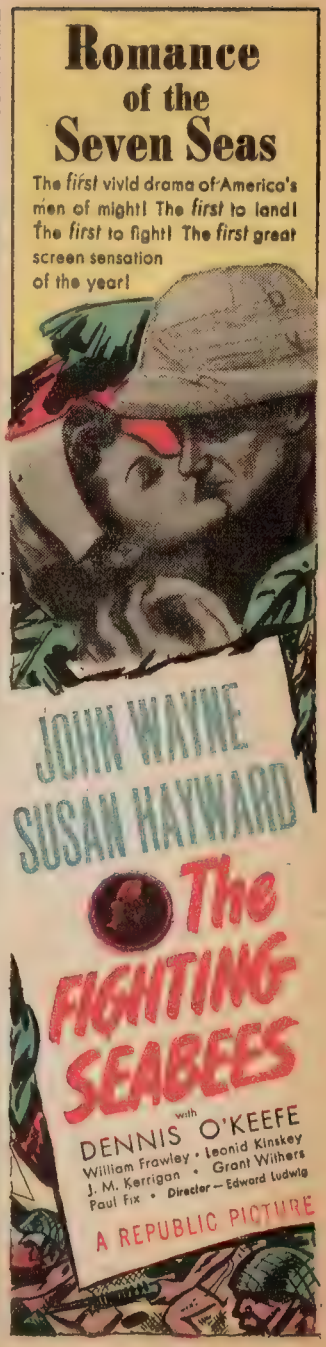
ANDY HARDY'S BLONDE TROUBLE—Trouble in the form of Lee and Lyn Wilde, easy on the eyes twins, shouldn't be hard to take. But Andy (who is Mickey Rooney, of course) makes promises to them both which he can't keep and, in addition, has a strict English teacher to appease. Even if the professor is Herbert Marshall, Andy can't make a deal with him. As for what the twins do—see the movie! (MGM)

FOUR JILLS IN A JEEP—Next to letters from home, Sad Sacks appreciate professional entertainers who give up civilian comforts to share foxholes and Spam with soldiers. This delightful musical shows you what happened when four pin-up girls (Carole Landis, Kay Francis, Martha Ray, Mitzi Mayfair) toured Britain and North Africa. (20th Century-Fox)

Read our story, see the film: "The Adventures of Mark Twain." Both tops! (Warners)

LADIES COURAGEOUS—The Women's Air Force Service Pilots (otherwise known as a girl's dream career come true) do valiant service. Loretta Young, as the girls' C.O., is instrumental in making the WASPS equal in rank to ferry pilots. (Univ.)

THE SULLIVANS—A tribute to the five Sullivan brothers who chose to serve on the same ship and who died together in the service of their country, this is an extraordinarily fine movie. But this film does more than make their sacrifice inspiring. It also recreates all the fun and laughter the brothers enjoyed. You watch them playing tricks on each other and romping with their dog, "a genuine full-blooded mongrel hound." United as brothers, united as seamen, together in death, the Sullivan brothers will be united in history. (20th Century-Fox)



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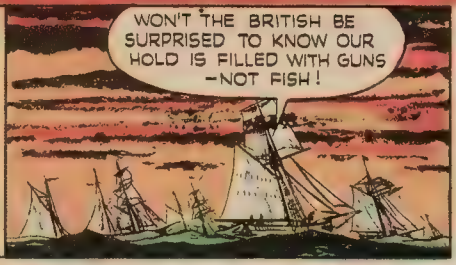
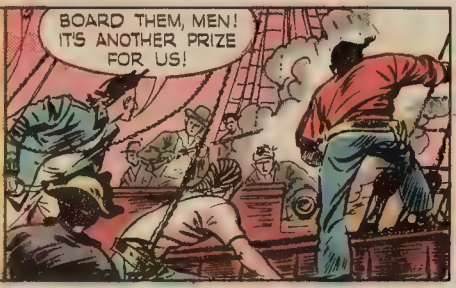
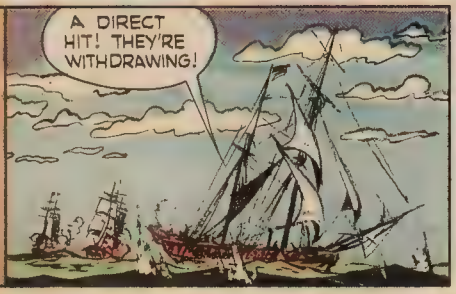


WITH A FLEET OF ABOUT 1,000 SHIPS, THE AMERICANS CAPTURED ALMOST 3,000 BRITISH MERCHANT-MEN.



DURING THE WAR OF 1812, THE MERCHANT MARINE RAN A GAUNTLET OF BRITISH MEN O' WAR TO BRING ARMS AND AMMUNITION FROM FRANCE.



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ATLANTIC WAR ZONE

AWARDED TO THE MERCHANT SEAMEN WHO SAIL OUR CONVOYS TO EUROPE AND ENGLAND THROUGH SUB-INFESTED WATERS.

MEDITERRANEAN ZONE

FOR SERVICE AGAINST ITALY, AND HELPING REMOVE THE NAZIS FROM NORTH AFRICA. ALSO AWARDED FOR SERVICE IN MIDDLE EAST.

MARIN

THE HIGHEST AWARD OF MERCHANT
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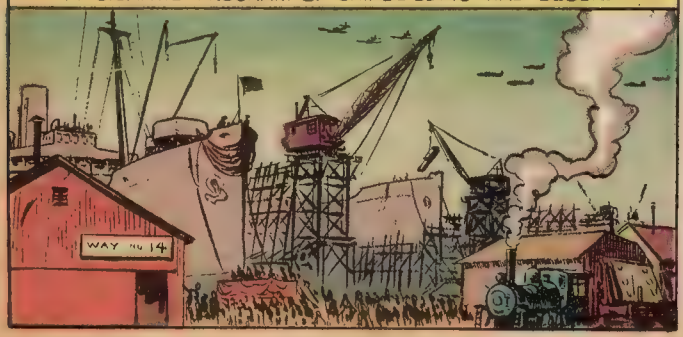
IN 1936, THE MERCHANT MARINE ACT WAS PASSED AND A GIGANTIC PROGRAM OF SHIPBUILDING WAS BEGUN.



IN WORLD WAR 2, THE AMERICAN
TRANSPORT THE LARGEST FORCE

RCHANT MARINE

O SLIP BACK INTO FIFTH POSITION AMONG WORLD WAR 1, THE U.S. MERCHANT MARINE EFFICIENT EVER TO SAIL THE SEAS. BY A EAMEN CAN NOW WIN SERVICE BARS FOR MARINES DO—A TRIBUTE TO THE GALLANTRY HE GOODS— ENOUGH...AND ON TIME!

PACIFIC WAR ZONE

THE MEN WHO WEAR THIS SERVICE RIBBON ARE THOSE WHO GET THE GOODS THROUGH TO LICK THE JAPANESE!

COMBAT BAR

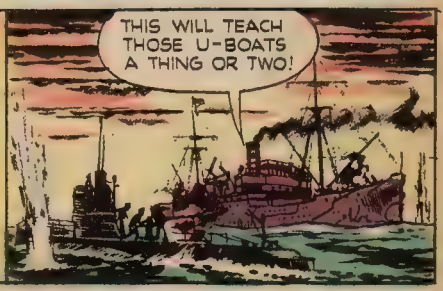
A MERCHANT SEAMAN WHO WEARS THIS RIBBON HAS BEEN FORCED TO ABANDON SHIP.

ER'S MEDAL

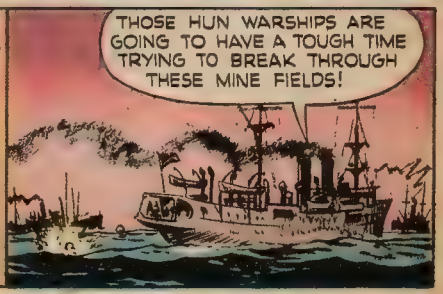
T MARINE DUTY, THIS IS AWARDED ONLY OR FOR DEATH RESULTING FROM DUTY.

IN THE SPANISH-AMERICAN WAR, A MERCHANT SHIP CUT THE CABLE FROM CUBA TO MADRID WHILE UNDER CONSTANT SHELLING!

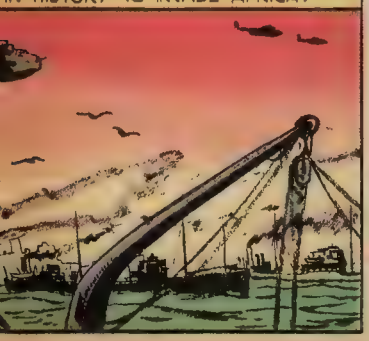
ON APRIL 19 1917, THE UNITED STATES MERCHANT SHIP "MONGOLIA" FIRED AMERICA'S FIRST SHOT IN WORLD WAR 1.



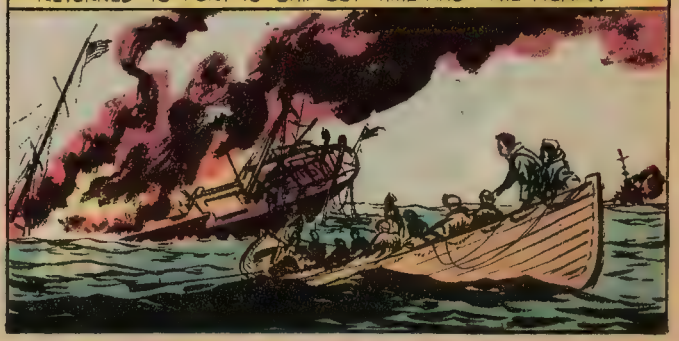
DURING WORLD WAR 1, AMERICAN COASTWISE VESSELS LED THE GREAT MINE-LAYING SQUADRON THAT BOTTLED UP THE GERMAN FLEET.



MERCHANT MARINE FLEET HELPED IN HISTORY TO INVADE AFRICA.



ALTHOUGH TORPEDOED MANY TIMES, MERCHANT SEAMEN HAVE RETURNED TO PORT TO "SHIP OUT" TIME AND TIME AGAIN!



BLACK GOLD

THE FASCINATING STORY OF OIL
(TECHNICAL DATA SUPPLIED BY STANDARD OIL CO. OF N.J.)

SINCE EARLIEST TIMES, OIL AND OIL PRODUCTS HAVE INFLUENCED THE LIVES OF MEN - PERHAPS MORE THAN ANY OTHER NATURAL RESOURCE. TODAY, OIL IS A POWERFUL WEAPON IN THE STRUGGLE FOR VICTORY... AND THE LIFEBLOOD OF AMERICA'S MECHANIZED MIGHT!

THOUSANDS OF YEARS AGO, THE PERSIANS CAME UPON STREAMS OF OIL OOZING OUT OF THE MYSTERIOUS REGIONS UNDER THE EARTH'S SURFACE.

IT IS A MIRACLE OF THE GODS!

LET US BOW DOWN!

WHEN THE OIL WAS ACCIDENTALLY SET AFIRE BY LIGHTNING, THE PERSIANS WERE POSITIVE IT WAS SACRED.

WE MUST ERECT SHRINES AND TEMPLES TO PAY HOMAGE TO THIS GOD OF FLAME.

YES, IF WE DO NOT, WE SHALL SURELY BE DESTROYED.

LONG BEFORE THE FIRST WHITE MEN LANDED IN AMERICA, INDIANS HAD DISCOVERED OIL.

SEE! THE FLOATING WATER CAN BE LIFTED LIKE THIS.

YES, BUT WHAT GOOD IS THIS WATER-AS-BLACK-AS-THE-NIGHT?

SOON...

IT MAKES MY WOUNDS HEAL FASTER!

LOOK! IT MAKES THE CLAY OF OUR WAR PAINT SPREAD EASILY.

IN 1595, SIR WALTER RALEIGH FOUND OIL IN TRINIDAD, WEST INDIES.

I MUST INFORM THE CROWN ABOUT THIS RICH SOURCE.

INDEED, THIS NEW WORLD IS FILLED WITH WEALTH OF MANY KINDS.

IN 1634, THE FRANCISCAN FRIAR, JOSEPH DE LA ROCHE D'ALLION, WROTE OF OIL IN WESTERN NEW YORK.

There are springs gushing forth black fluid

THE FIRST KNOWN MAP OF AMERICA'S OIL DEPOSITS WAS MADE BY PETER KALM AND PRINTED IN HIS BOOK, "TRAVELS INTO NORTH AMERICA", IN 1748.

NATURAL PETROLEUM SPRINGS WERE INDICATED ALONG THE MONONGAHELA RIVER ABOVE AND BELOW PITTSBURGH.

FORT DUQUESNE
NOW CALLED PITTSBURGH

PENNSYLVANIA
PITTSBURGH

PETROLEUM SPRINGS

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PECULIARLY ENOUGH, THE USUALLY RESOURCEFUL AMERICAN COLONISTS REGARDED OIL WITH DEEP DISGUST.

UGH! THAT GOOD-FOR-NOTHING BLACK FLUID AGAIN!

WHY MUST IT SPURT FORTH AND INTERFERE WITH OUR SALT DRILLING?

IN COLONIAL AMERICA, MOST OIL FOR LAMPS WAS OBTAINED FROM WHALES.

STRIP'ER DOWN, MATES! THERE'S PLENTY OF OIL IN THIS CARCASS.

WHITE MEN BOUGHT PETROLEUM FROM THE INDIANS AND WENT FROM VILLAGE TO VILLAGE SELLING IT IN MEDICINE SHOWS.

LA-DEES AND GENTLEMEN! THE MAGIC INDIAN REMEDY KNOWN AS "SENECA OIL"— THE GENUINE 'SNAKE OIL.'

BUT, ALONG ABOUT 1848, SAMUEL KIER, A PITTSBURGH DRUGGIST, FOUND A BETTER USE FOR 'SNAKE OIL.'

MY PETROLEUM OIL BURNS BETTER THAN EITHER THE CANDLE OR THE WHALE OIL LAMP.

IT'S A GREAT DISCOVERY!

I'LL BUY ONE.

IN 1859, A GROUP OF BUSINESS MEN DECIDED TO HIRE "COLONEL" EDWIN L. DRAKE TO SEEK OIL NEAR TITUSVILLE, PA.

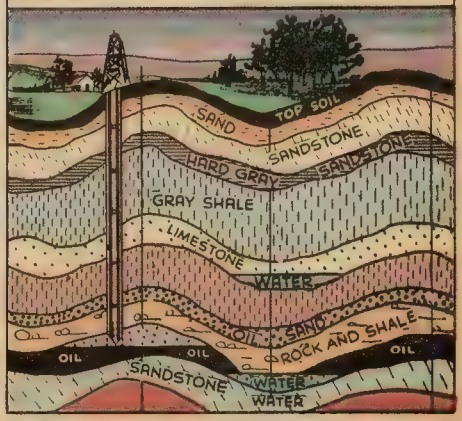
BUT COLONEL DRAKE—EVEN IF THERE IS OIL IN THE EARTH, HOW CAN WE GET IT OUT?

SIR, THEY'VE DRILLED SALT WATER THIS WAY. OIL WILL COME UP, TOO.

ONE DAY IN AUGUST, 1859, AFTER DRILLING DOWN TO SIXTY-NINE FEET...

WE'VE STRUCK IT, DRAKE! I CAN SEE IT COMING!

THIS SECTIONAL DIAGRAM SHOWS THE STRUCTURE OF THE EARTH WHERE OIL DEPOSITS EXIST.



1860, THE FRENCH INVENTOR, LENOIR, MARKETED THE FIRST REAL GASOLINE ENGINE IN FRANCE AND AMERICA.

I PREDICT THAT THIS NEW ENGINE WILL REVOLUTIONIZE MANY WAYS OF LIFE.

LENOIR WAS RIGHT. HIS ENGINE PIONEERED THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE AUTOMOBILE.

GET A HORSE, MISTER! THAT CONTRAPTION WON'T TAKE YOU VERY FAR.

PAY NO ATTENTION, HOMER. HE'S JUST JEALOUS OF OUR NEW RUNABOUT.

IN 1897, AN ENGINE INVENTED BY RUDOLF DIESEL GREATLY INFLUENCED THE OIL INDUSTRY ALL OVER THE WORLD.

MY ENGINE IS DIFFERENT FROM ALL OTHERS. THE FUEL COMES INTO THE COMPRESSED AIR CHAMBER GRADUALLY AND BURNS WITH LITTLE OR NO INCREASE IN TEMPERATURE

THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE OIL-BURNING DIESEL ENGINE MADE POSSIBLE MODERN STREAMLINED TRAINS

AS WELL AS THE SUPER-EFFICIENT SUBMARINES OF TODAY.

THE LARGE SCALE USE OF OIL AND ITS MANY PRODUCTS RESULTED IN A PRODUCTION LINE SYSTEM OF GETTING OIL FROM THE EARTH TO THE CONSUMER.

OIL FIELD

FIELD STORAGE

OIL PIPE LINE

REFINERY

BULK STORAGE

TO CONSUMER

TO INDUSTRY

TO FOREIGN TRADE

MANY THOUSAND FEET DEEP

MOTOR TANK TRUCKS

TANK CARS

TANK SHIPS

WITH THE OUTBREAK OF WAR, THE OIL COMPANIES RUSHED THEIR PRODUCTS TO HOME FRONTS AND BATTLEFRONTS BY EVERY POSSIBLE MEANS.

RAILROAD TANK CARS AND SPECIALLY EQUIPPED FREIGHT CARS CARRIED THE MAJOR LOADS.

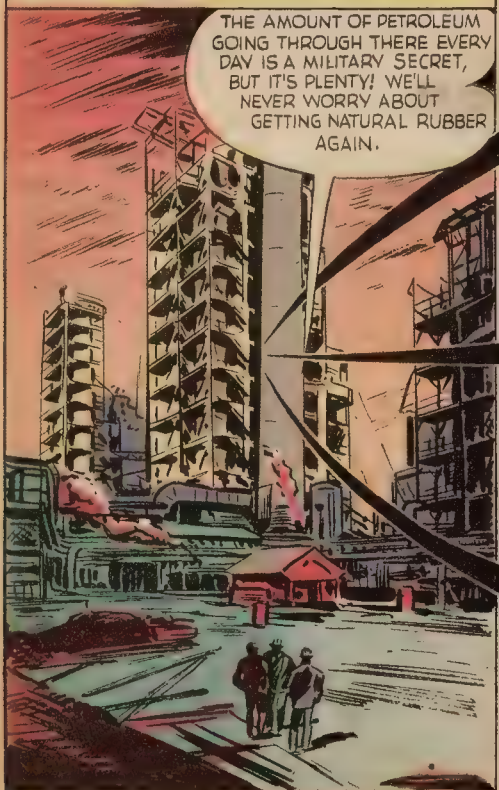
HUGE TRAILER TRUCKS ROLLED ACROSS THE COUNTRY ALL DAY AND NIGHT.

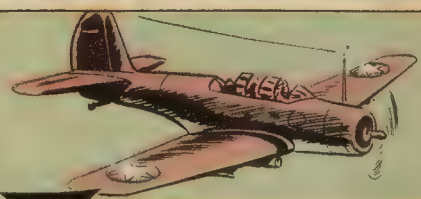
OIL TANKERS RACED ALONG THE COASTLINES, DEFYING THE SUBMARINE MENACE.

AIR CARGO EXPRESS PLANES CARRIED SCORES OF BARRELS AT MORE THAN 200 MILES PER HOUR.

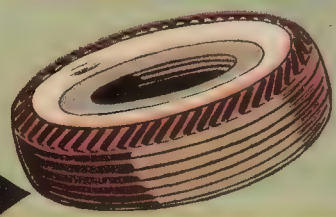
THE WORLD'S LONGEST PIPE LINE WAS LAID FROM SOUTHEAST TEXAS TO THE EASTERN COAST.

WHEN JAPAN SEIZED OUR NATURAL RUBBER SOURCES IN THE EAST INDIES, HUGE "CATALYST CRACKING PLANTS," LIKE THIS ONE, DEVELOPED BY STANDARD OIL CO. OF NEW JERSEY, WERE BUILT TO MAKE SYNTHETIC RUBBER AS WELL AS AVIATION GASOLINE.

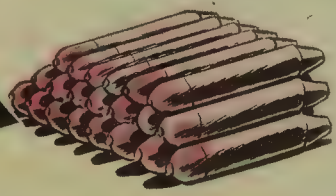




THE PLANT AT THE LEFT TURNS OUT 100-OCTANE GAS FOR FIGHTERS AND BOMBERS.

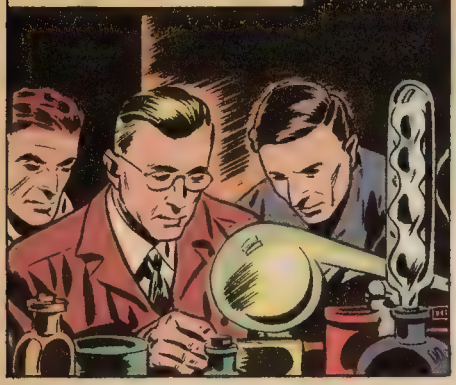


THE BASIC INGREDIENTS OF SYNTHETIC RUBBER FOR TIRES AND OTHER PRODUCTS ARE ALSO MANUFACTURED IN THE "CATALYST CRACKING PLANT."

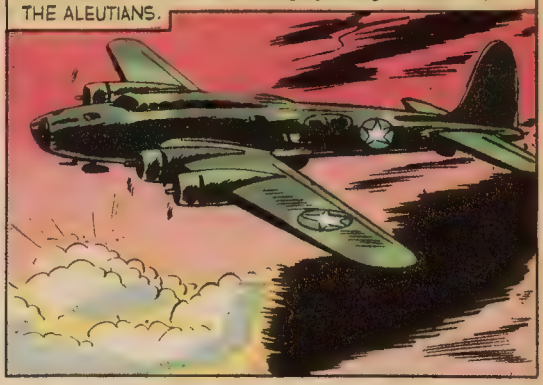


TOLUENE, THE THIRD "T" IN T.N.T., IS A THIRD PRODUCT THAT ORIGINATES HERE.

BUT THE OIL COMPANIES RESEARCH MEN WERE NOT CONTENT TO STOP WITH THESE GREAT ADVANCES IN SCIENCE.



AMONG NEW DISCOVERIES WERE LUBRICANTS AND GREASES THAT FUNCTION WELL — WHETHER IN THE BLISTERING DESERT OR THE SUB-ZERO CLIMATE OF THE ALEUTIANS.



ACE CHEMISTS OF THE OIL INDUSTRY DEVISED "FOG SCREENS" TO COVER THE INVASION TROOPS WHEN WE SWARMED INTO AFRICA, SICILY AND ITALY.

REALIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF OIL TO THE ENEMY AS WELL AS TO OUR FORCES, VARIOUS AXIS-HELD OIL FIELDS IN EUROPE HAVE BEEN THE REPEATED TARGETS OF OUR BOMBERS.

NORTH AMERICA, ALONE, PRODUCES MORE TOP-GRADE OIL AND OIL PRODUCTS THAN ALL THE AXIS NATIONS TOGETHER. THE DOTS ON THIS MAP SHOW THE APPROXIMATE LOCATION AND CONCENTRATION OF THE GREAT OIL-PRODUCING REGIONS OF THE WORLD.

OIL IS A MIGHTY WEAPON THAT HELPS INSURE OUR ULTIMATE VICTORY... AND A BETTER WORLD THERE-AFTER.

IS IT TRUE?

BY NATALIE PURVIN PRAGER
ORIGINATOR OF THE GAME PARADE RADIO QUIZ

Can YOU answer these Questions?

CHECK "YES" IF TRUE OR "NO" UNDER EACH PICTURE. DON'T LOOK NOW, BUT THE CORRECT ANSWERS ARE WRITTEN UPSIDE-DOWN AT THE BOTTOM OF THIS PAGE. SEE IF YOU CAN STICK YOUR FRIENDS ON THEM!

1 IS IT TRUE THAT A SNAKE CANNOT CLOSE ITS EYES?
YES ☐ NO ☐

2 IS IT TRUE THAT CAMELLIAS ARE FEMALE CAMELS?
YES ☐ NO ☐

3 IS IT TRUE THAT THESE ARE THE THREE PRIMARY COLORS?
YES ☐ NO ☐

4 IS IT TRUE THAT IN THE STORY, RIP VAN WINKLE SLEPT FOR TWENTY YEARS?
YES ☐ NO ☐

5 IS IT TRUE THAT PRESIDENT LINCOLN IS BURIED IN THE STATE OF KENTUCKY?
YES ☐ NO ☐

6 IS IT TRUE THAT WHEN THE GROUND HOG SEES HIS SHADOW IT INDICATES THE COMING OF WINTER?
YES ☐ NO ☐

7 IS IT TRUE THAT A BARRISTER IS AN INSTRUMENT USED TO DETERMINE CHANGES IN THE WEATHER?
YES ☐ NO ☐

8 IS IT TRUE THAT A MALLARD IS A WILD DUCK?
YES ☐ NO ☐

9 IS IT TRUE THAT KIT CARSON WAS A FICTIONAL CHARACTER?
YES ☐ NO ☐

10 IS IT TRUE THAT THE ORIGINAL MEANING OF THE WORD "ETIQUETTE" WAS TO "KEEP OFF THE GRASS"?
YES ☐ NO ☐

11 IS IT TRUE THAT A TWO-SEATED BICYCLE IS CALLED A TANTRUM?
YES ☐ NO ☐

12 IS IT TRUE THAT MAPLE TREES ARE TAPPED FOR SYRUP IN THE FALL OF THE YEAR?
YES ☐ NO ☐

13 IS IT TRUE THAT PENICILLIN IS A COMBINATION PEN AND PENCIL?
YES ☐ NO ☐

14 IS IT TRUE THAT A TOADSTOOL IS ANOTHER NAME FOR A MUSHROOM?
YES ☐ NO ☐

15 IS IT TRUE THAT LT. GENERAL MARK CLARK IS COMMANDER OF THE SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA?
YES ☐ NO ☐

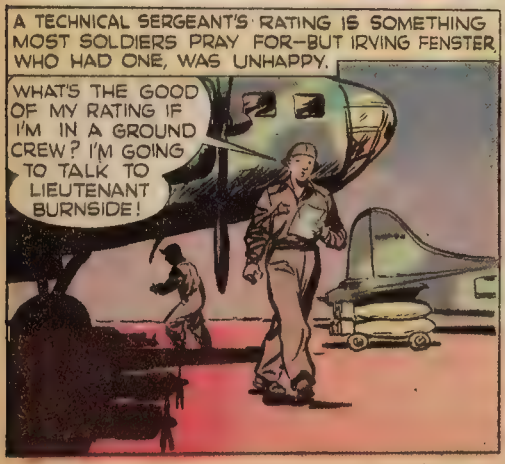
Answers to "IS IT TRUE?"

After you have finished this quiz, turn the page upside-down and find the answers:

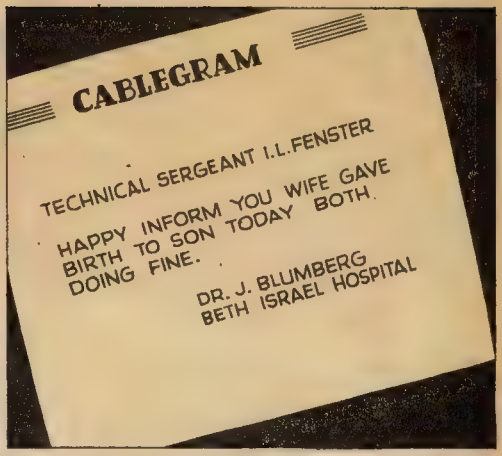
1. Yes. It has no eyelids. 2. No. Camellias are flowers. 3. No. The three primary colors are red, yellow and blue. 4. Yes. 5. No. He is buried in Springfield, Ill. 6. No. The superstition is that when this happens it indicates the coming of Spring. 7. No. A barrister is another name for a lawyer. 8. Yes. 9. No. He was a famous hunter and guide. 10. Yes. This originated at the Court of Louis XIV of France. 11. No. It is called a tandem. 12. No. Maple trees are tapped in the Spring. 13. No. It is a drug. 14. Yes. 15. No. Gen. Clark is in command of the American Fifth Army now in Europe.

FEARLESS FUNMAKER

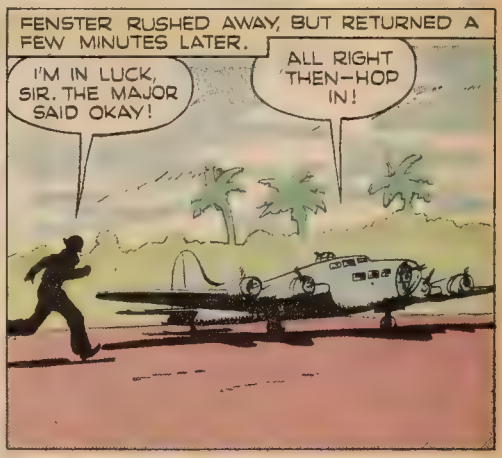
TECHNICAL SERGEANT **IRVING FENSTER** WAS READY TO DO ANYTHING JUST TO GET A CRACK AT THE JAPS, BUT ONE DAY HE LET HIS ENTHUSIASM RUN AWAY WITH HIM—AND SOMETHING VERY UNEXPECTED HAPPENED.

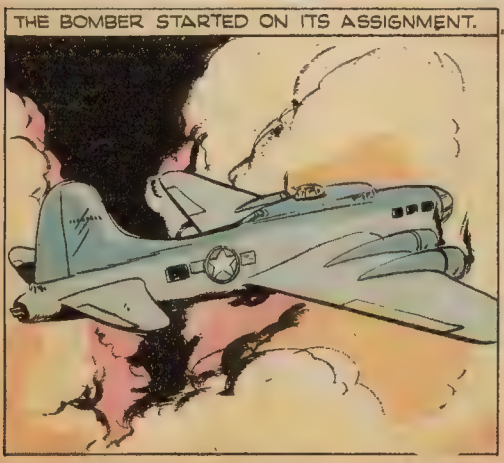


I JUST CAN'T BE IN A GROUND CREW HERE IN AUSTRALIA, SIR. NOW I'VE GOT SOMETHING NEW TO FIGHT FOR. LOOK, SIR!

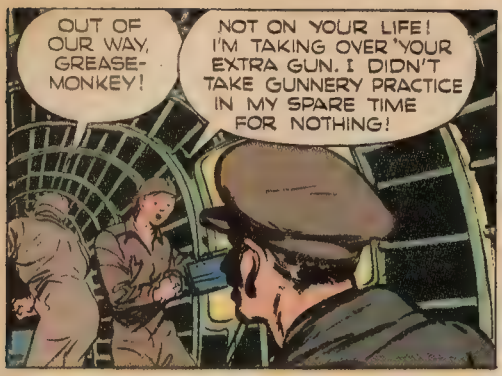

CABLEGRAM
TECHNICAL SERGEANT I.L. FENSTER
HAPPY INFORM YOU WIFE GAVE BIRTH TO SON TODAY BOTH DOING FINE.
DR. J. BLUMBERG
BETH ISRAEL HOSPITAL

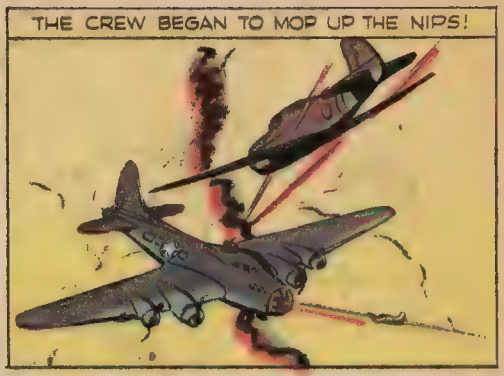
FENSTER, YOU'VE BEEN BOTHERING ME ABOUT GOING ON A BOMBING FLIGHT FOR WEEKS. IT'S OKAY WITH ME. IF YOU CAN GET THE SQUADRON COMMANDER TO SAY OKAY, TOO—YOU'RE IN!

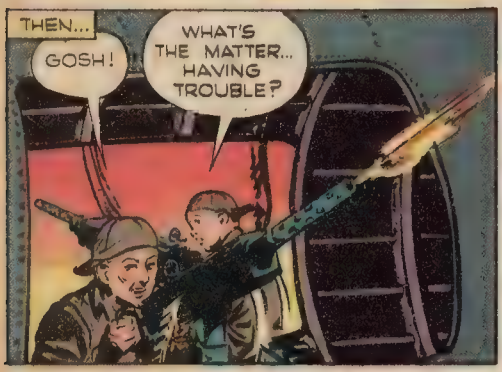

FENSTER RUSHED AWAY, BUT RETURNED A FEW MINUTES LATER.
I'M IN LUCK, SIR. THE MAJOR SAID OKAY!
ALL RIGHT THEN—HOP IN!

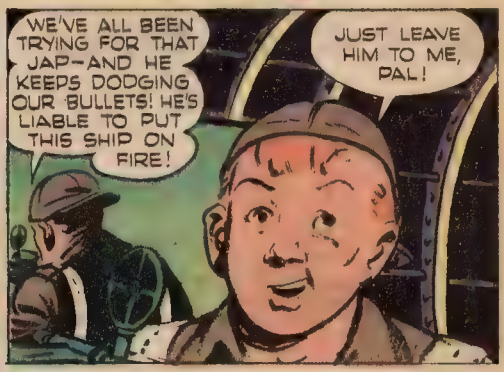

THE BOMBER STARTED ON ITS ASSIGNMENT.

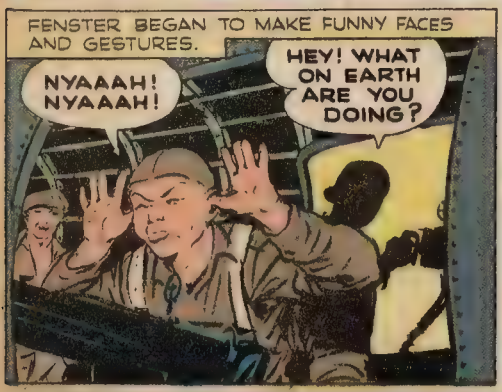
SUDDENLY...
ZEROS!
I SEE 'EM... PILOT TO CREW: ZEROS COMING RIGHT AT US!

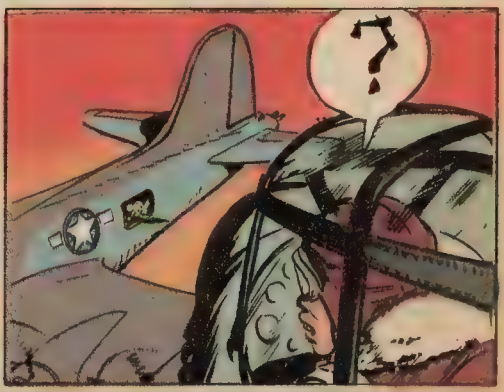












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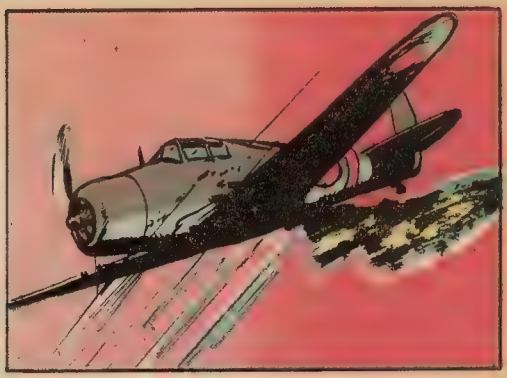

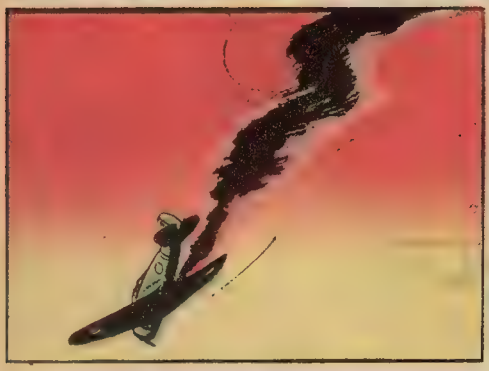

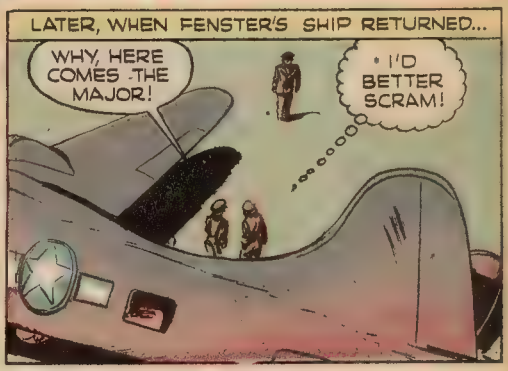

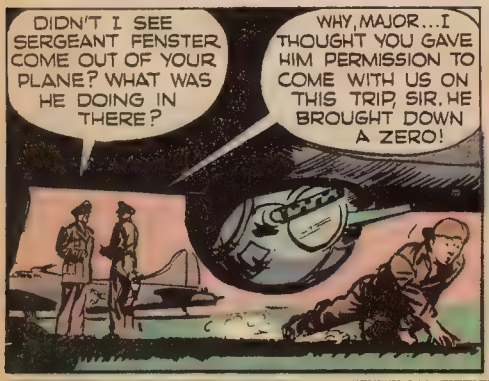

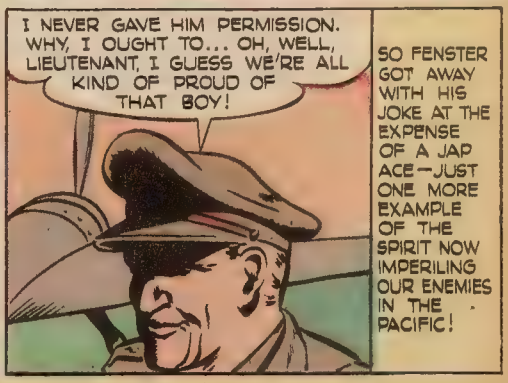

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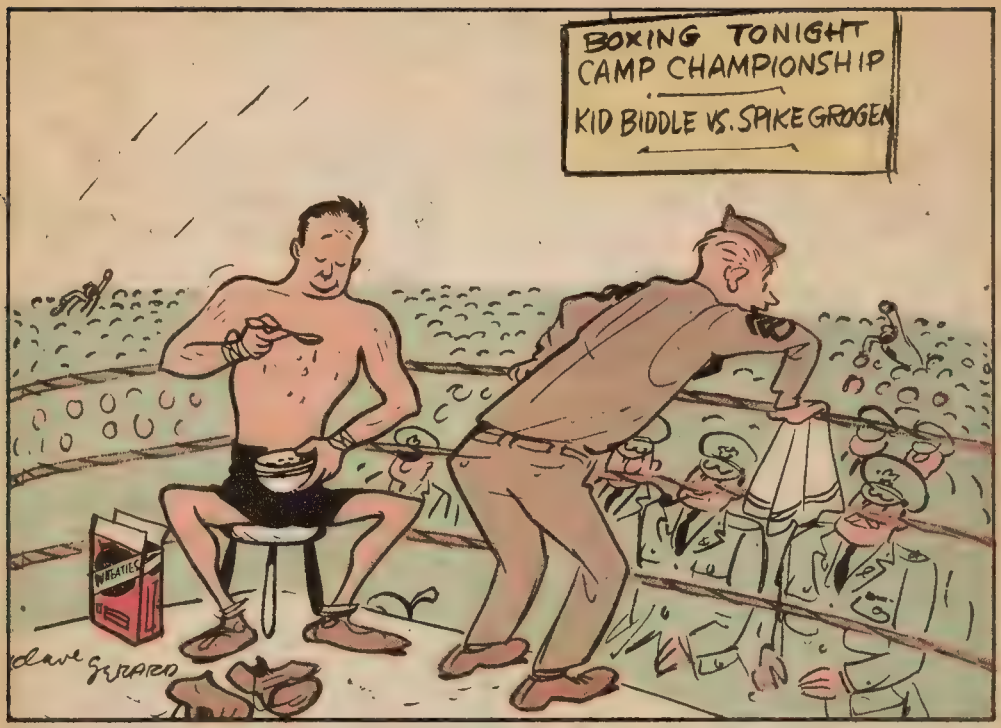

"All I'm afraid of is that he'll get *overconfident*. That's the third bowl of Wheaties he's had."

FUNNY THING ABOUT WHEATIES. SOME PEOPLE START EATING 'EM FOR THAT GOOD WHOLE WHEAT, AND KEEP ON BECAUSE WHEATIES TASTE SO GOOD. BUT WHETHER IT'S THE "SECOND HELPING" FLAVOR THAT GETS YOU, OR THAT SWELL "BREAKFAST OF CHAMPIONS" NOURISHMENT, YOU'RE GETTING A REAL DEAL EVERY TIME YOU REACH FOR THE WHEATIES.

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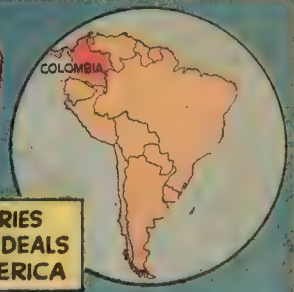
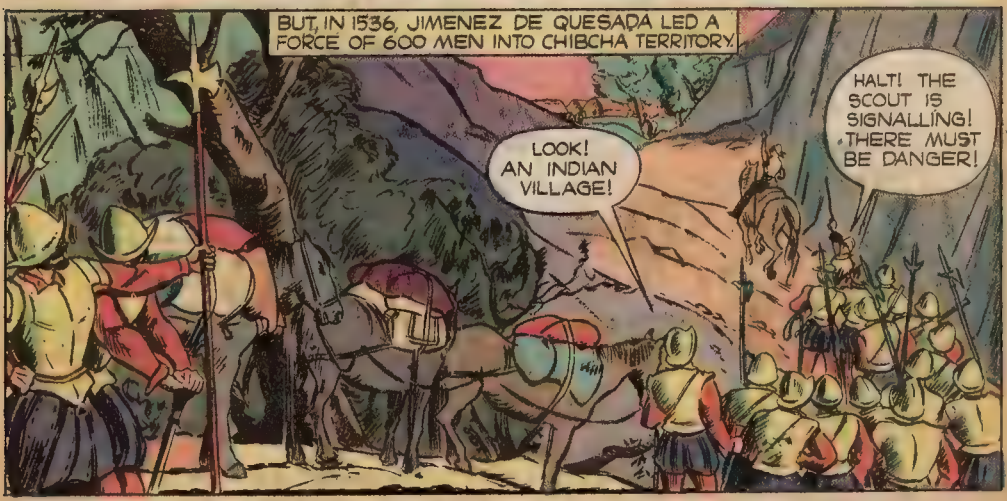


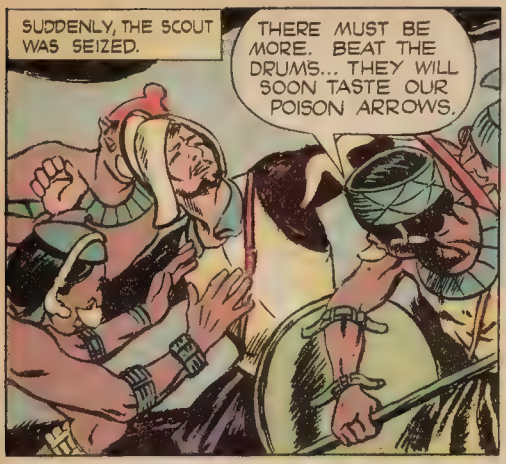
THE SEVENTH OF A SERIES OF STORIES ABOUT THE HISTORY, CUSTOMS AND IDEALS OF OUR NEIGHBORS IN SOUTH AMERICA

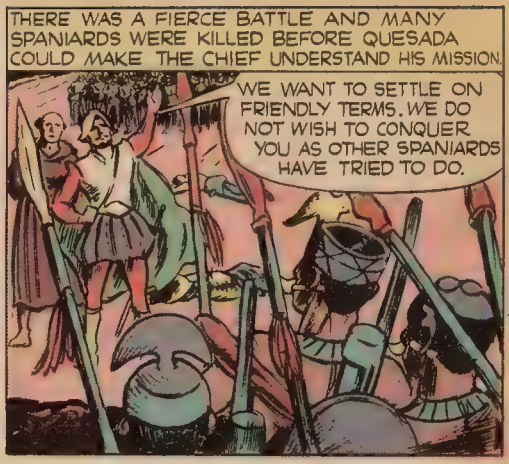
COLOMBIA, THE SO-CALLED "TREASURE CHEST OF SOUTH AMERICA," HAS A GREAT CULTURAL HERITAGE WHICH HAS MADE IT A BULWARK OF DEMOCRACY AND LIBERAL THOUGHT.

IN 1525, THE SPANISH COASTAL TOWN OF SANTA MARTA WAS FOUNDED.

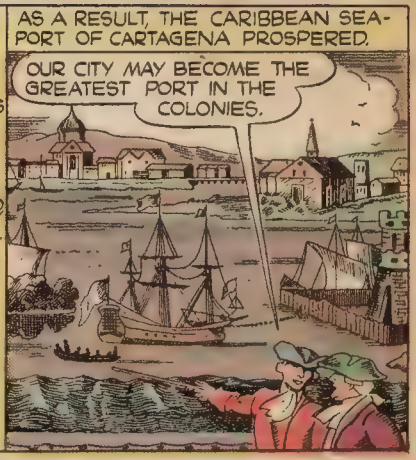
BUT, IN 1536, JIMENEZ DE QUESADA LED A FORCE OF 600 MEN INTO CHIBCHA TERRITORY.

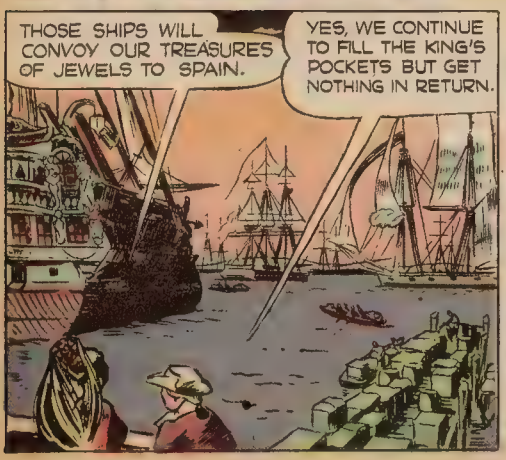


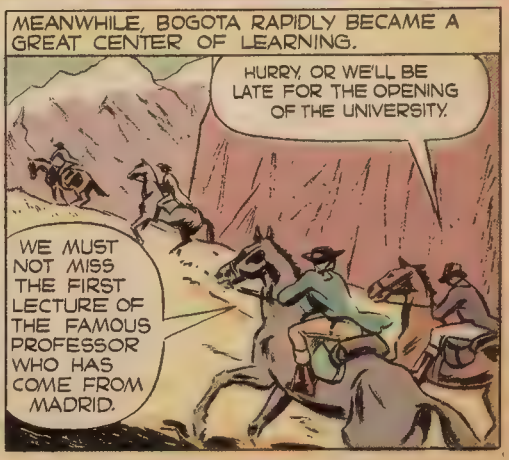


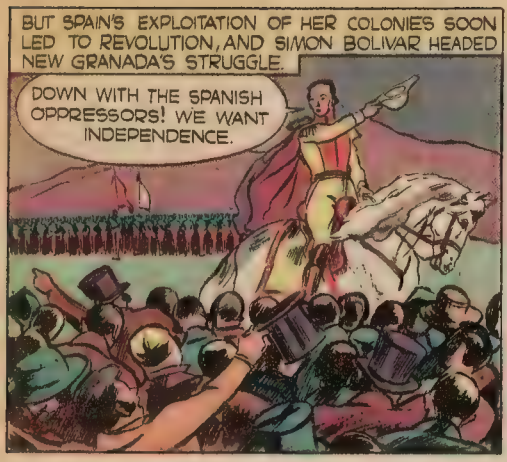


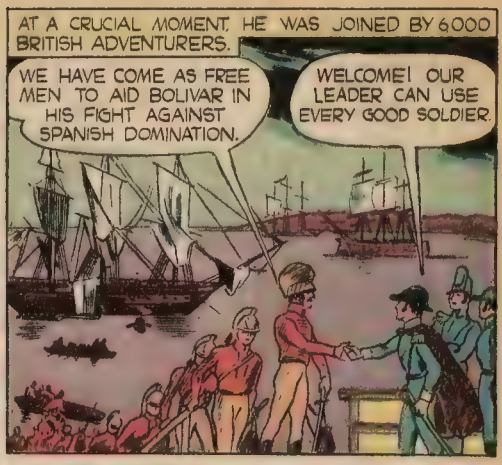
FROM THIS CENTRAL POINT, EXPLORATIONS STARTED IN ALL DIRECTIONS AND THE RICH EMERALD, GOLD AND PLATINUM DEPOSITS MADE NEW GRANADA'S TRADE IMPORTANT.

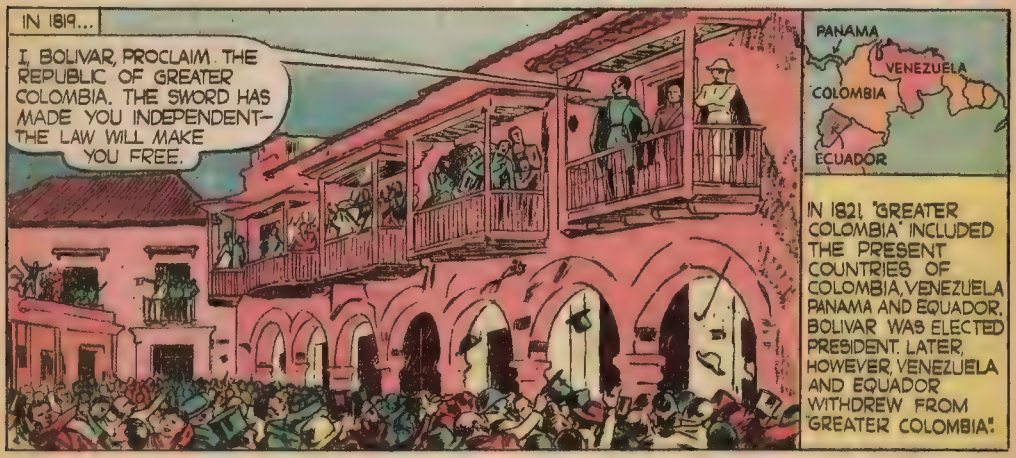


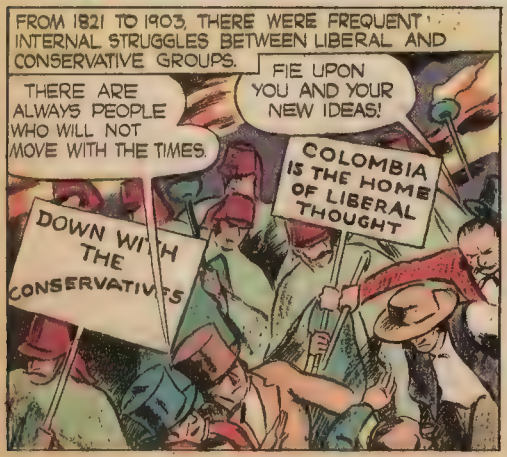


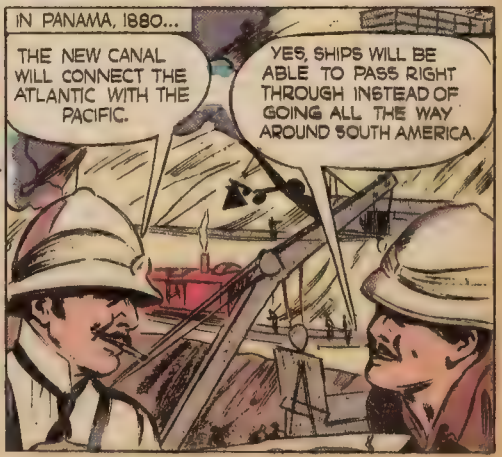


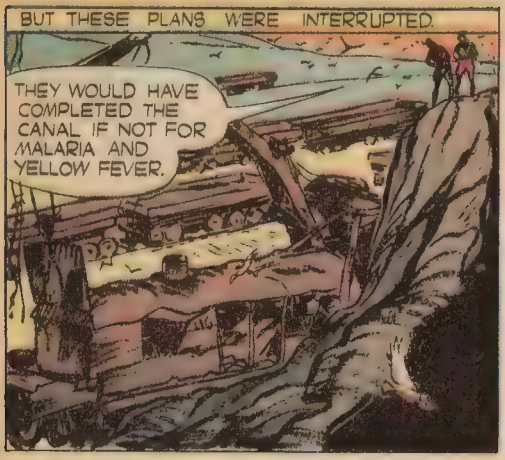

BUT SPAIN'S EXPLOITATION OF HER COLONIES SOON LED TO REVOLUTION, AND SIMON BOLIVAR HEADED NEW GRANADA'S STRUGGLE.
DOWN WITH THE SPANISH OPPRESSORS! WE WANT INDEPENDENCE.

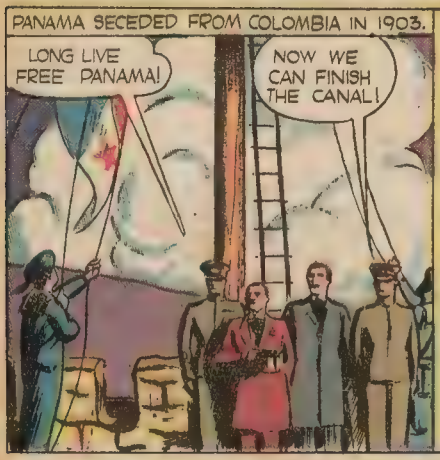

AT A CRUCIAL MOMENT, HE WAS JOINED BY 6000 BRITISH ADVENTURERS.
WE HAVE COME AS FREE MEN TO AID BOLIVAR IN HIS FIGHT AGAINST SPANISH DOMINATION.
WELCOME! OUR LEADER CAN USE EVERY GOOD SOLDIER.


IN 1819...
I, BOLIVAR, PROCLAIM THE REPUBLIC OF GREATER COLOMBIA. THE SWORD HAS MADE YOU INDEPENDENT—THE LAW WILL MAKE YOU FREE.
PANAMA
VENEZUELA
COLOMBIA
ECUADOR
IN 1821, "GREATER COLOMBIA" INCLUDED THE PRESENT COUNTRIES OF COLOMBIA, VENEZUELA PANAMA AND EQUADOR. BOLIVAR WAS ELECTED PRESIDENT. LATER, HOWEVER, VENEZUELA AND EQUADOR WITHDREW FROM "GREATER COLOMBIA".

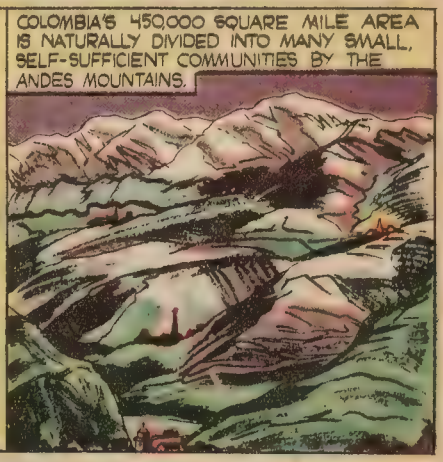

FROM 1821 TO 1903, THERE WERE FREQUENT INTERNAL STRUGGLES BETWEEN LIBERAL AND CONSERVATIVE GROUPS.
THERE ARE ALWAYS PEOPLE WHO WILL NOT MOVE WITH THE TIMES.
FIE UPON YOU AND YOUR NEW IDEAS!
COLOMBIA IS THE HOME OF LIBERAL THOUGHT
DOWN WITH THE CONSERVATIVES

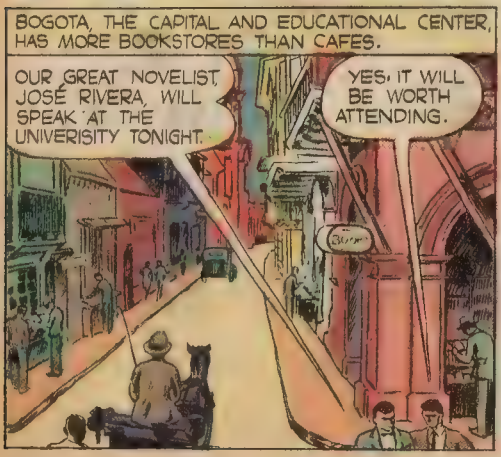

IN PANAMA, 1880...
THE NEW CANAL WILL CONNECT THE ATLANTIC WITH THE PACIFIC.
YES, SHIPS WILL BE ABLE TO PASS RIGHT THROUGH INSTEAD OF GOING ALL THE WAY AROUND SOUTH AMERICA.

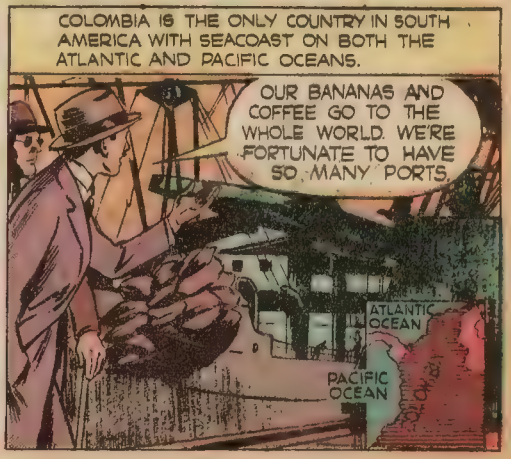




BUT BITTER FEELING REMAINED UNTIL 1921, WHEN THE UNITED STATES AGREED TO PAY COLOMBIA FOR THE LOSS OF PANAMA.







COLOMBIA HAS OTHER RICHES—GOLD, RUBIES, PLATINUM AND THE WORLD'S GREATEST SUPPLY OF EMERALDS.

GOLD

RUBIES

PLATINUM

EMERALDS

IT HAS LARGE PETROLEUM DEPOSITS TOO WITH PIPELINES CARRYING OIL FROM THE JUNGLE TO THE COAST.

COLOMBIA'S MOUNTAINS HAVE ALWAYS MADE TRANSPORTATION A PROBLEM. HOWEVER, IN 1919, A GERMAN AIRLINE, SCADTA, WAS BUILT.

PANAMA TO BOGOTA IN THREE AND A HALF HOURS!

YES, IT USED TO TAKE SIXTEEN DAYS.

BUT THE NAZIS HAD DESIGNS ON THESE GERMAN-OPERATED LINES.

THOSE PLANES ARE FLYING TOO CLOSE TO THE PANAMA CANAL. THEY ARE DANGEROUS TO US.

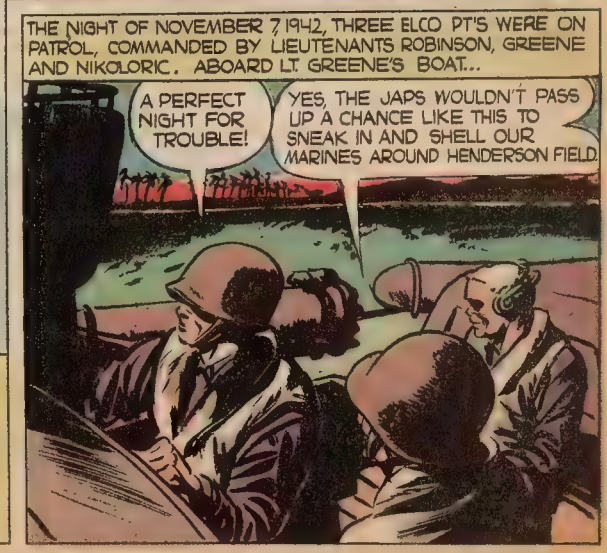
YOU ARE RIGHT. COLOMBIA AND THE UNITED STATES SHOULD TAKE CONTROL AND OPERATE THEM JOINTLY.

NOW, IN A WORLD AT WAR AGAINST FASCISM...

IT IS IMPORTANT TO ALL AMERICANS THAT THEY CAN COUNT AMONG THEIR GOOD NEIGHBORS THE COLOMBIANS, A PEOPLE WHO FIRMLY BELIEVE IN THE IDEALS OF WASHINGTON AND LINCOLN.

GIANT KILLERS

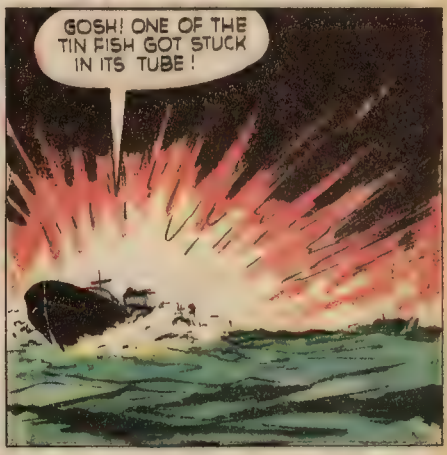
AFTER THE U.S. MARINES DROVE THE JAPS OFF GUADALCANAL AND TULAGI, TOJO'S MEN CAME BACK TIME AFTER TIME TO TRY AND RECAPTURE THE ISLANDS. IT WAS THE JOB OF A SQUADRON OF PT BOATS TO SEE THAT THEY DIDN'T—AND WHAT A JOB THE LITTLE "GIANT KILLERS" DID!



YOU'RE RIGHT, LIEUTENANT! HERE THEY COME!
LOOKS LIKE A DESTROYER'S LEADING THEM IN. WE'LL GO AFTER HIM FIRST!

LT. GREENE MANEUVERED HIS PT FOR A SHOT.
CAREFUL... IT COSTS TEN THOUSAND BUCKS TO SEND ONE OF THOSE TORPEDOES ON ITS WAY. LET'S BE SURE WE HIT WHAT WE AIM AT!

OKAY... FIRE ALL FOUR TORPEDOES!


GOSH! ONE OF THE TIN FISH GOT STUCK IN ITS TUBE!

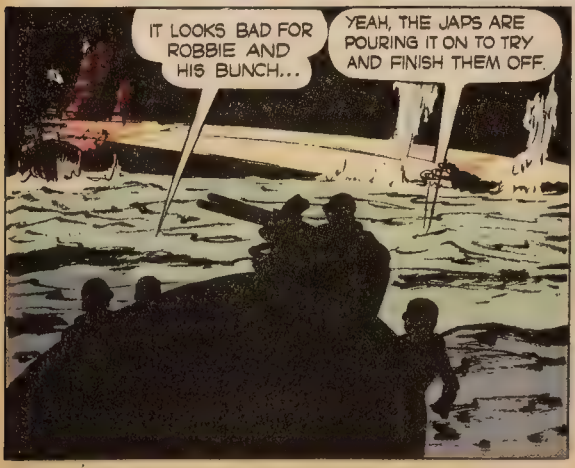
TORPEDOMAN GODDARD RUSHED OVER.
IT'S CLEAR NOW!

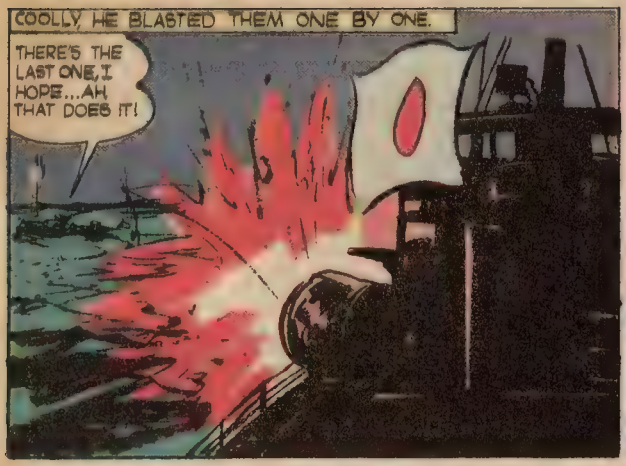
BUT...
THOSE SPARKS GAVE THE JAPS A POINT OF AIM FOR THEIR SEARCHLIGHTS!

TRAPPED IN THE LIGHTS, GREENE'S AND ROBINSON'S BOATS, MADE EASY TARGETS.

LOOK! THAT SHELL EXPLODED RIGHT ON ROBINSON'S BOW.

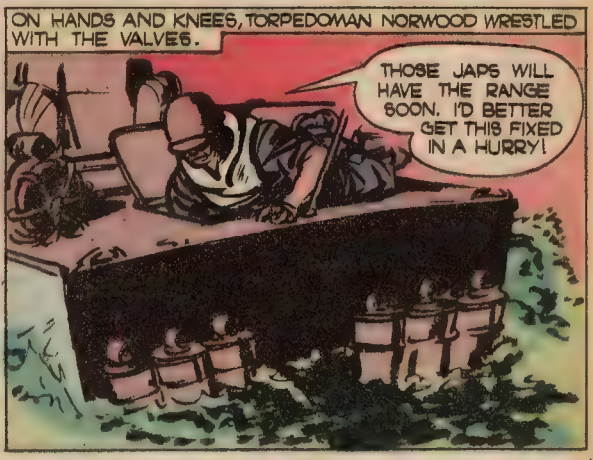
GET ON THE RADIO AND FIND OUT HOW BADLY THEY'RE HURT!

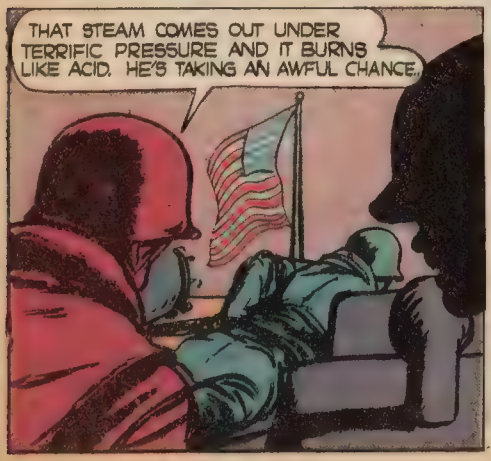


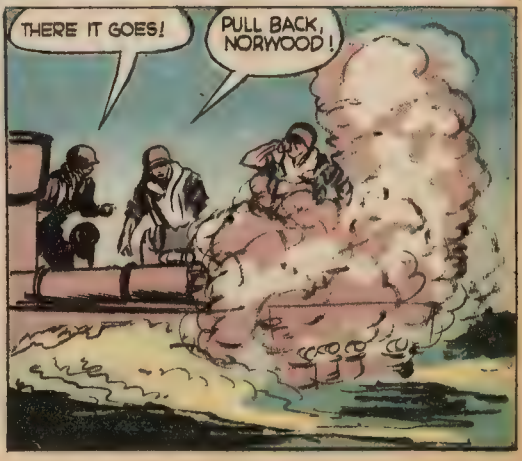

COOLLY, HE BLASTED THEM ONE BY ONE.
THERE'S THE LAST ONE, I HOPE...AH THAT DOES IT!

SWEET SHOOTING, PAL... LET'S GET OUR SMOKE GENERATOR GOING. WE'LL BE SAFER BEHIND A GOOD SCREEN.

THE GENERATOR'S JAMMED, SIR,.. NORWOOD'S WORKING ON IT!
IF THOSE VALVES GO OFF, HE'LL BE SCALDED TO DEATH!

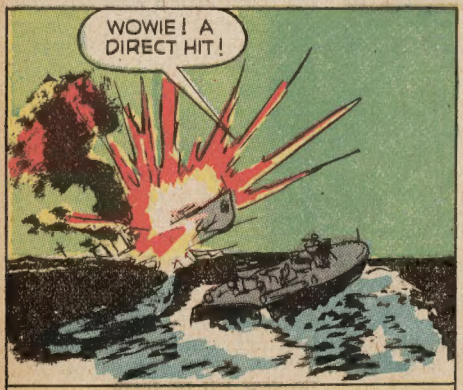

ON HANDS AND KNEES, TORPEDOMAN NORWOOD WRESTLED WITH THE VALVES.
THOSE JAPS WILL HAVE THE RANGE SOON. I'D BETTER GET THIS FIXED IN A HURRY!


THAT STEAM COMES OUT UNDER TERRIFIC PRESSURE AND IT BURNS LIKE ACID. HE'S TAKING AN AWFUL CHANCE.

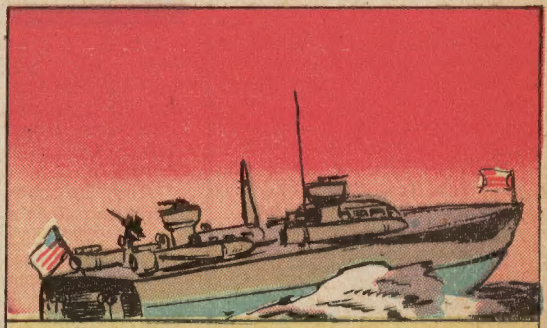

THERE IT GOES!
PULL BACK, NORWOOD!

BEHIND THE HEAVY SMOKE SCREEN, THE PT BOAT ELUDED THE JAPS.

THEY DIDN'T HAVE TO GO BACK... WHILE THE JAPS WERE CHASING ROBINSON'S BOAT, LT. NIKOLORIC SLIPPED IN CLOSE TO THE DESTROYER AND...



THE ACTION THAT NIGHT WAS TYPICAL OF THE HEROIC EXPLOITS OF THE MEN WHO SAIL THE U.S. NAVY'S "GIANT KILLERS".



ONLY EIGHTY FEET LONG AND BUILT OF MAHOGANY AND SPRUCE, AN ELCO PT BOAT'S SMOKE GENERATOR, SPEED AND MANEUVERABILITY MORE THAN MAKE UP FOR A LACK OF ARMOR. IN THIS WAR, THE PT'S ARE WRITING GLORIOUS PAGES INTO AMERICA'S BOOK OF NAVAL TRADITION.

TRULY COMIC!

Principal: Well, Charles, this is the fifth time this week you've been sent to the office for bad conduct! What have you to say for yourself?

Charles: Truthfully, Sir, I'm glad it's Friday!

Nora Koss, Louisville, Ky.

Jose: I have a question which I'll bet you can't answer. Why do people say that Ireland is the richest country in the world?

Jane: I can't figure it out.

Jose: The capital is Dublin, and has been for many, many years!

Murray Stein, Bronx, N. Y.

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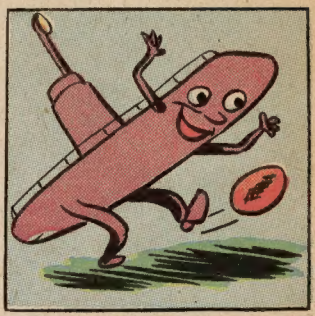

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Coach: What for?

Player: So you can put me in as a sub!

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Tommy: Boo hoo, I just got spanked.

Joey: Does your mother spank you?

Tommy: Yes.

Joey: Does your father spank you?

Tommy: Sure.

Joey: Which hurts most, Tommy?

Tommy: I DO!

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Sammy: I know someone who eats concrete.

Jimmy: How's that?

Sammy: I was walking down the street with a man one afternoon and we passed a restaurant. I usually eat there and so I invited him in for lunch. He said that he wasn't hungry just then, but when he was, he preferred eating up the street!

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